

EXHIBIT I

Exhibit A-27
Invalidity Claim Chart for U.S. Patent No. 7,924,802 vs. U.S. Patent No. 8,693,525

U.S. Patent No. 8,693,525 (“Rick”) was filed on July 12, 2007, published on January 17, 2008 (U.S. Patent Application No. 2008/0013639), and issued on April 8, 2014. Rick anticipates asserted claims 1–4, 6–10, 13, 14, 17, and 21–24 of U.S. Patent No. 7,924,802 (“the ’802 Patent”) under 35 U.S.C. § 102. Rick also renders obvious asserted claims 1–4, 6–10, 13, 14, 17, and 21–24 of the ’802 Patent under 35 U.S.C. § 103, alone based on the state of the art and/or in combination with one or more other references identified in Exs. A-1–A-31, Cover Pleading, and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.¹

To the extent Plaintiff alleges that Rick does not disclose any particular limitation of the asserted claims in the ’802 Patent, either expressly or inherently, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art as of the priority date of the ’802 Patent to modify Rick and/or to combine the teachings of Rick with other prior art references, including but not limited to the present prior art references found in Exs. A-1–A-31, Cover Pleading, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and the relevant section of charts for other prior art for the ’802 Patent in a manner that would render the asserted claims of these patents invalid as obvious.

With respect to the obviousness of the asserted claims of the ’802 Patent under 35 U.S.C. § 103, one or more of the principles enumerated by the United States Supreme Court in *KSR v. Teleflex*, 550 U.S. 398 (2007) apply, including: (a) combining various claimed elements known in the prior art according to known methods to yield a predictable result; and/or (b) making a simple substitution of one or more known elements for another to obtain a predictable result; and/or (c) using a known technique to improve a similar device or method in the same way; and/or (d) applying a known technique to a known device or method ready for improvement to yield a predictable result; and/or (e) choosing from a finite number of identified, predictable solutions with a reasonable expectation of success or, in other words, the solution was one which was “obvious to try”; and/or (f) a known work in one field of endeavor prompting variations of it for use either in the same field or a different field based on given design incentives or other market forces in which the variations were predictable to one of ordinary skill in the art; and/or (g) a teaching, suggestion, or motivation in the prior art that would have led one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the prior art reference or to combine the teachings of various prior art references to arrive at the claimed invention. It therefore would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to combine the disclosures of these references in accordance with the principles and rationales set forth above.

¹ Samsung is investigating this prior art and has not yet completed discovery from third parties, who may have relevant information concerning the prior art, and therefore, Samsung reserves the right to supplement this chart after additional discovery is received. To the extent that any of the prior art discloses the same or similar functionality or feature(s) of any of the accused products, Samsung reserves the right to argue that said feature or functionality does not practice any limitation of any of the asserted claims, and to argue, in the alternative, that if said feature or functionality is found to practice any limitation of any of the asserted claims in the ’802 Patent, then the prior art reference teaches the limitation and that the claim is not patentable.

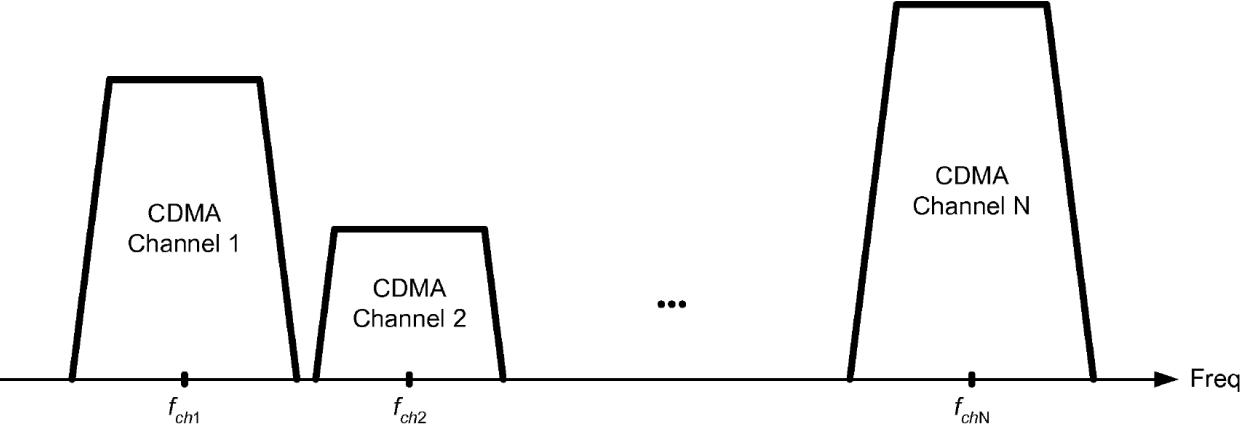
The citations to portions of any reference in this chart are exemplary only. For example, a citation that refers to or discusses a figure or figure item should be understood to also incorporate by reference that figure and any additional descriptions of that figure as if set forth fully therein. Samsung reserves the right to rely on the entirety of the references cited in this chart to show that the asserted claims of the '802 Patent are invalid. Citations presented for one claim limitation are expressly incorporated by reference into all other limitations for that claim as well as all limitations of all claims on which that claim depends. Samsung also reserves the right to rely on additional citations or sources of evidence that also may be applicable, or that may become applicable in light of claim construction, changes in Plaintiff's infringement contentions, and/or information obtained during discovery as the case progresses.

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[1.1] A method of transmitting information in a wireless communication channel comprising:	<p>To the extent the preamble is limiting, Rick discloses "A method of transmitting information in a wireless communication channel comprising." See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time</p>

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	<p>Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog</p>

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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	<p>for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p>

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	 <p style="text-align: center;">FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A–Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A–Obviousness Chart.</p>
[1.2] transmitting first information across a first frequency range using a wireless transmitter, the first frequency range having a first center frequency, a first	<p>Rick discloses “transmitting first information across a first frequency range using a wireless transmitter, the first frequency range having a first center frequency, a first highest frequency, and a first lowest frequency.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one</p>

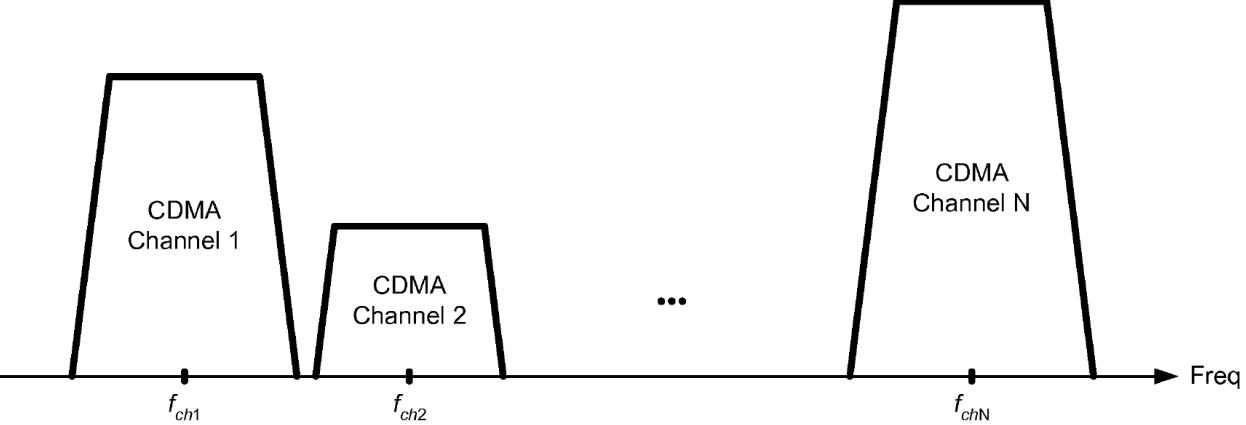
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highest frequency, and a first lowest frequency; and	<p>processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Abstract.</i></p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:20-41.</i></p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF</p>

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	<p>transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:48-2:9.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is</p>

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	<p>described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data,</p>

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	<p>text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of fsample. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of fn, which is determined by the carrier frequency fchn of CDMA channel n and the frequency fc of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p>

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	<p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p>

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	<p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:61-4:67.</p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 5:24-30.</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at Figure 1.</p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, likely a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section (top left): Contains a Data Processor (210) with multiple parallel paths. Each path consists of a Digital Filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n), followed by a mixer (214a, 214b, ..., 214n) with local oscillator frequencies f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N, and finally a summation node (Σ) (216). The outputs of the summation nodes feed into a Post Processor (218) and a DAC (220).Controller/Processor and Memory (bottom left): A Controller/Processor (240) is connected to a Memory (242) and also receives feedback from the Digital Section.RF Transmit Chain (bottom center): This block includes an Analog Lowpass Pass (222), a mixer (224) with frequency f_c, a VGA (228), a Bandpass Pass (230), a PA (Power Amplifier) (232), and a Duplexer (234). The duplexer connects to an antenna (236) and also provides a signal path to the RF Receive Chain.RF Receive Chain (bottom right): Represented by a dashed line labeled "to RF Receive Chain". <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

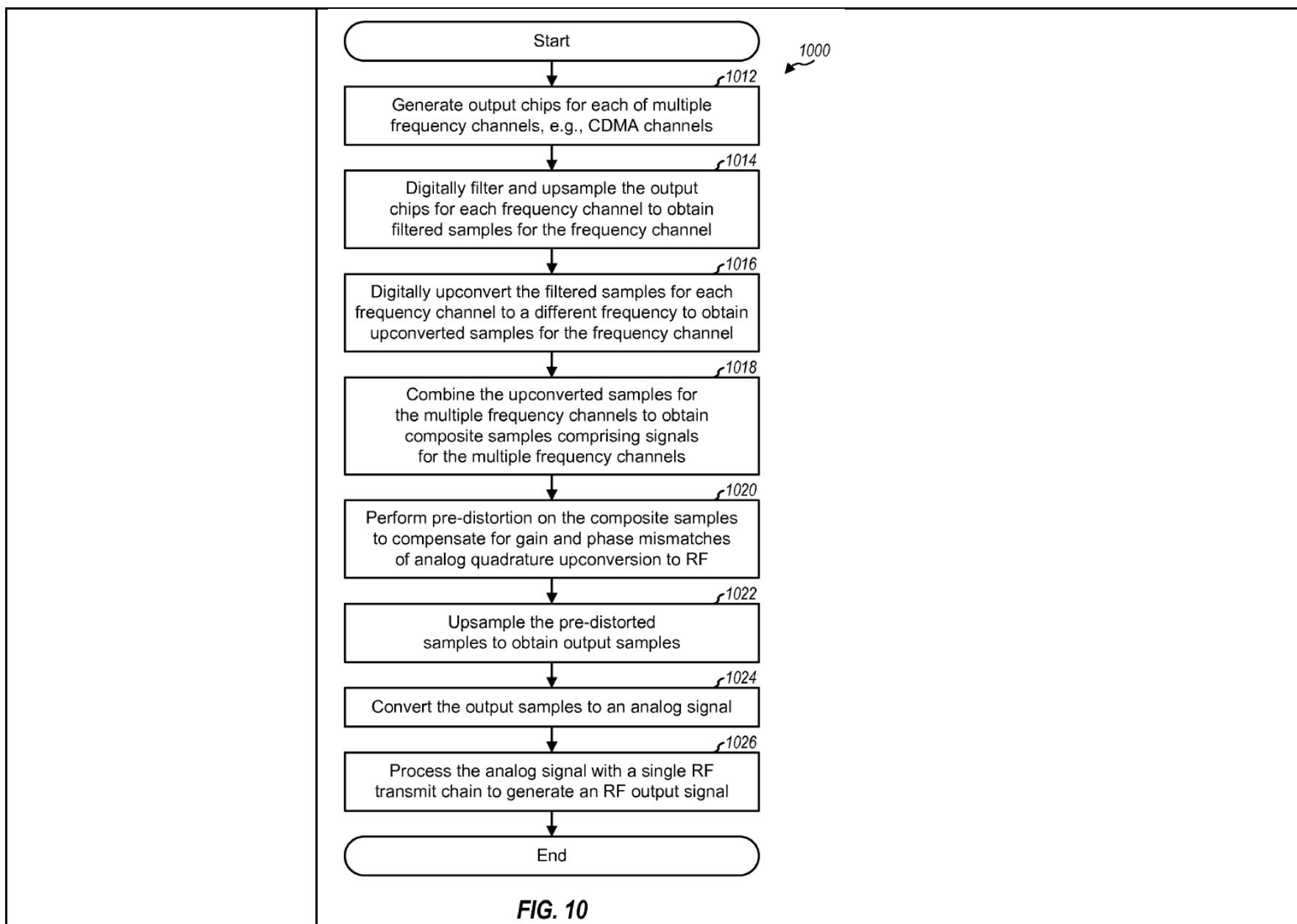


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
[1.3] simultaneously transmitting second information across a second frequency range using the same wireless transmitter, the second frequency range having a second center frequency greater than the first center frequency, a second highest frequency, and a second lowest frequency.	<p>Rick discloses “simultaneously transmitting second information across a second frequency range using the same wireless transmitter, the second frequency range having a second center frequency greater than the first center frequency, a second highest frequency, and a second lowest frequency.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access</p>

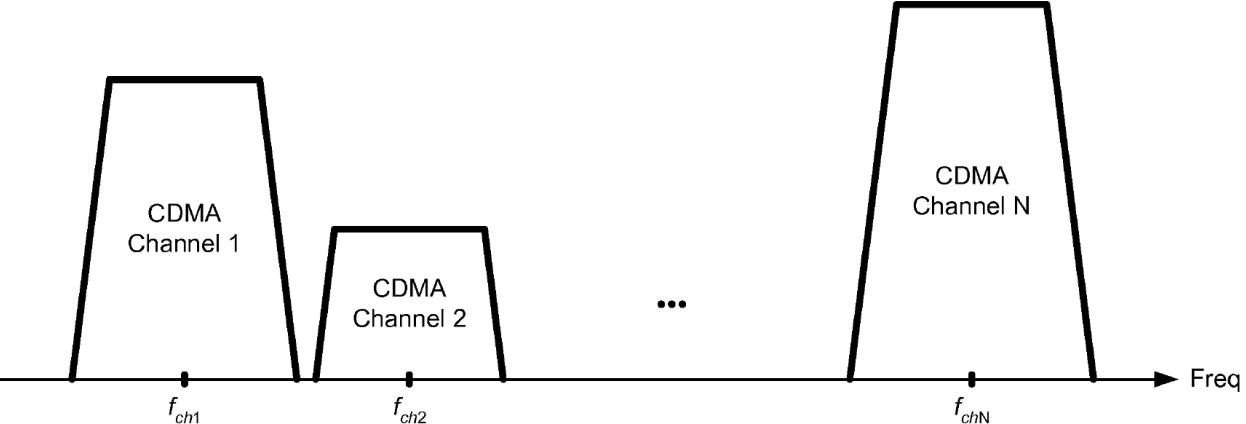
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	<p>systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:20-41.</i></p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output</p>

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	<p>samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p>

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	<p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system.</p>

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	<p>Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal</p>

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	<p>from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1298 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 840 982 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, likely a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section (top left): Contains a Data Processor (210) which outputs multiple parallel digital streams $I_1, Q_1, I_2, Q_2, \dots, I_N, Q_N$ to Digital Filter blocks (212a, 212b, ..., 212n). Each digital filter also receives a local oscillator signal f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N. The outputs of the digital filters are summed at a central node labeled Σ. The resulting signal is processed by a Post Processor (218) and then converted to analog by a DAC (220).Controller/Processor and Memory (bottom left): A Controller/Processor (240) is connected to a Memory (242), which provides data to the Data Processor (210).RF Transmit Chain (bottom center): This block includes an Analog Lowpass Pass (222), a mixer (224) with LO frequency f_c, a Variable Gain Amplifier (VGA) (228), a Bandpass Pass (230), a Power Amplifier (PA) (232), and a Duplexer (234). The Duplexer connects to an antenna (236) and also to the RF Receive Chain.RF Receive Chain (bottom right): An antenna (236) feeds into the Duplexer (234), which then splits the signal to the RF Transmit Chain and to the RF Receive Chain. <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

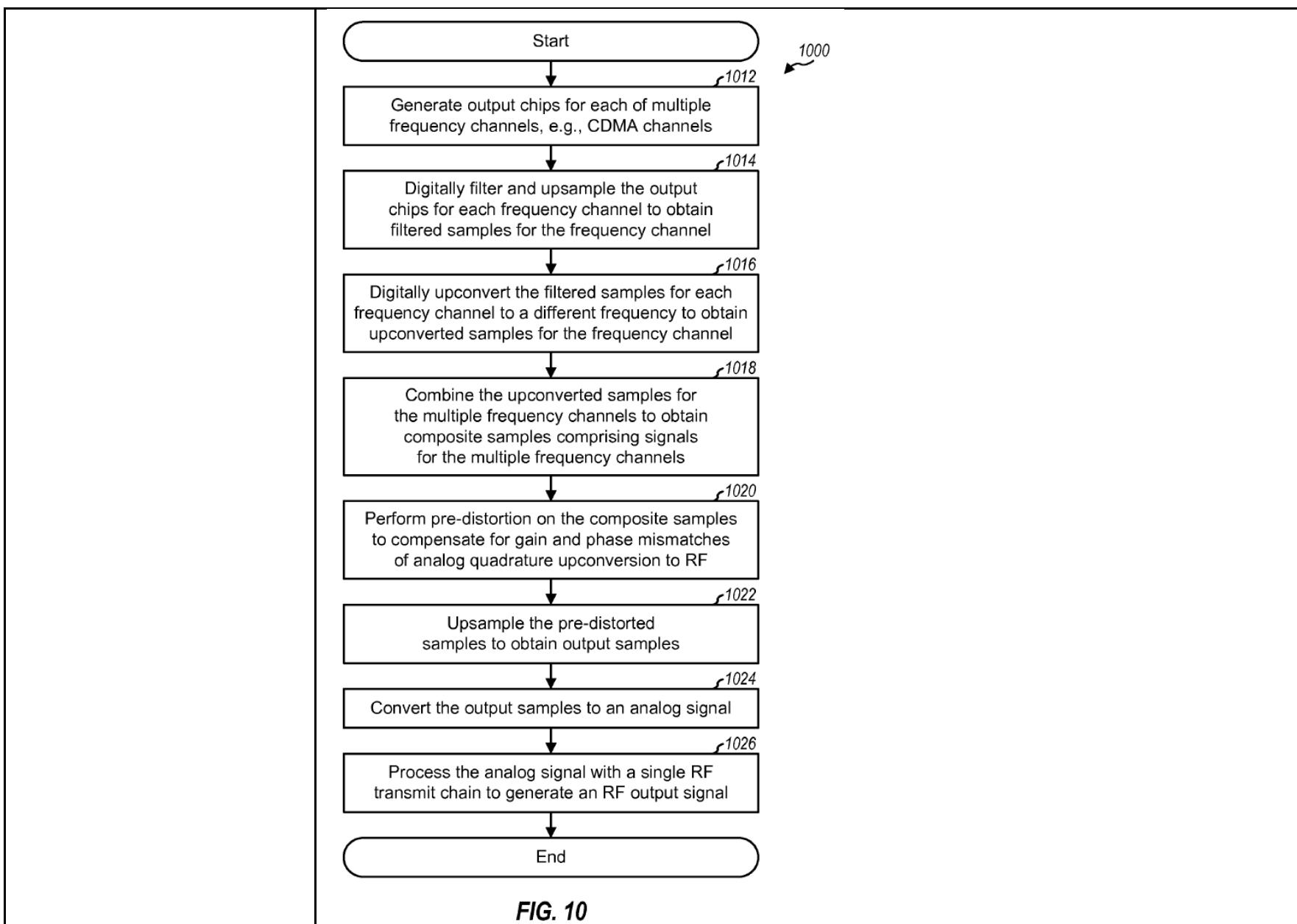


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
Claim 2 of the '802 Patent	Prior Art Reference – Rick
[2.1] The method of claim 1	Rick discloses all the elements of claim 1 for all the reasons provided above.
[2.2] wherein frequency difference between the first center frequency and the second center frequency is greater than the sum of one-half the first frequency range and one-half the second frequency range.	<p>Rick discloses “wherein frequency difference between the first center frequency and the second center frequency is greater than the sum of one-half the first frequency range and one-half the second frequency range.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p>

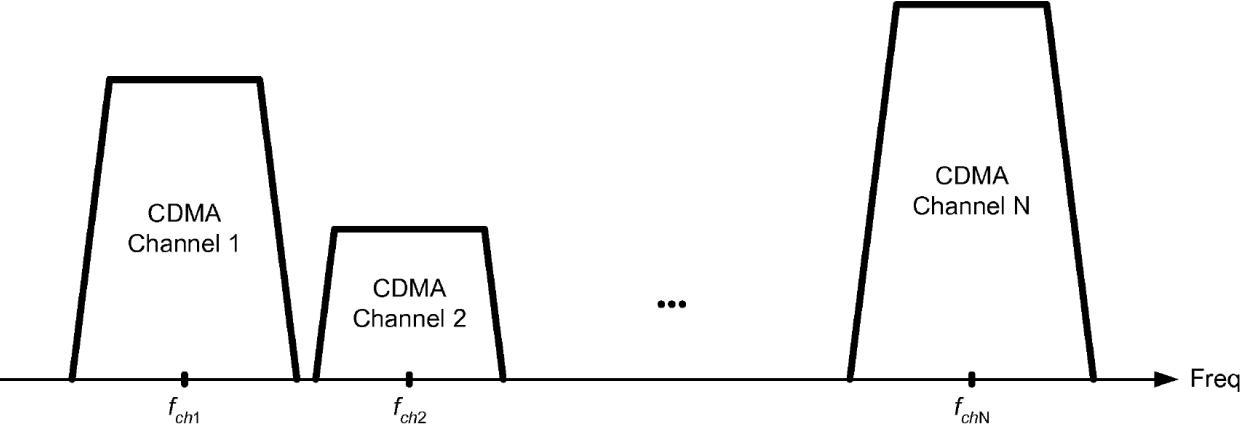
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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each</p>

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	<p>frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless</p>

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	<p>modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p>

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	<p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal</p>

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	<p>from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1298 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 840 982 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, likely a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section (top left): Contains a Data Processor (210) which outputs multiple parallel digital streams $I_1, Q_1, I_2, Q_2, \dots, I_N, Q_N$ to Digital Filter blocks (212a, 212b, ..., 212n). Each digital filter also receives a local oscillator signal f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N. The outputs of the digital filters are summed at a central node 216, which then feeds into a Post Processor (218) and a DAC (220).Controller/Processor and Memory (bottom left): A Controller/Processor (240) is connected to a Memory (242), which provides data to the Data Processor (210).RF Transmit Chain (bottom center): This block includes an Analog Lowpass Pass (222), a mixer (224) with LO frequency f_c, a Variable Gain Amplifier (VGA) (228), a Bandpass Pass (230), a Power Amplifier (PA) (232), and a Duplexer (234). The PA output connects to an antenna port 200.RF Receive Chain (bottom right): The Duplexer (234) also connects to an antenna port 204, which feeds into the RF Receive Chain. <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

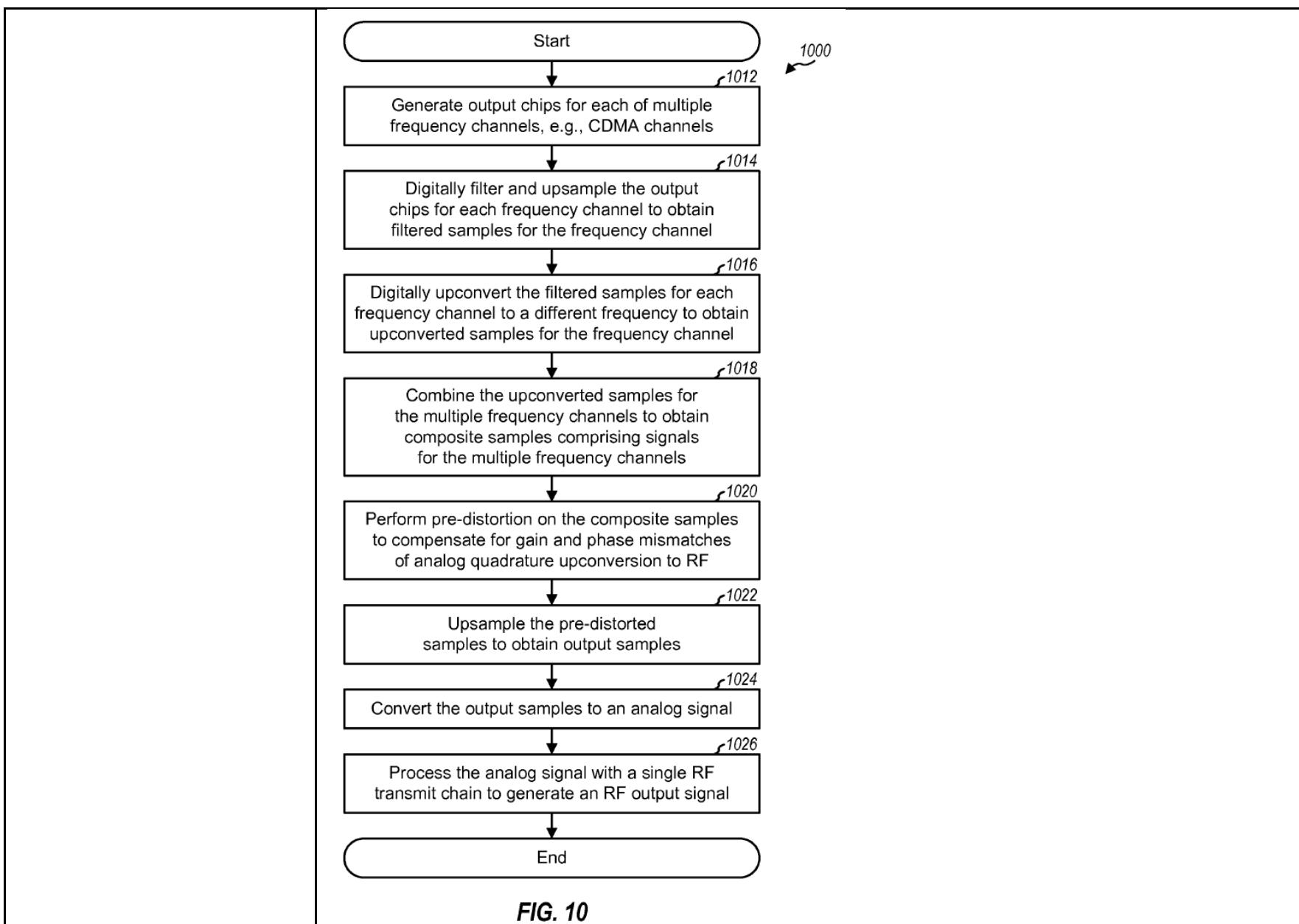


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
Claim 3 of the '802 Patent	Prior Art Reference – Rick
[3.1] The method of claim 1	Rick discloses all the elements of claim 1 for all the reasons provided above.
[3.2] wherein the first and second information are transmitted using the same power amplifier in said wireless transmitter.	<p>Rick discloses “wherein the first and second information are transmitted using the same power amplifier in said wireless transmitter.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

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	<p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may</p>

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	<p>combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:48-2:9.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 2:38-57.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless</p>

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	<p>modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p>

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	<p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal</p>

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	<p>from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1288 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 832 982 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, likely a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section (top left): Contains a Data Processor (210) which outputs multiple parallel digital streams $I_1, Q_1, I_2, Q_2, \dots, I_N, Q_N$ to Digital Filter blocks (212a, 212b, ..., 212n). Each digital filter also receives a local oscillator signal f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N. The outputs of the digital filters are summed at a central node labeled Σ. The resulting signal is processed by a Post Processor (218) and then converted to analog via a DAC (220).Controller/Processor and Memory (bottom left): A Controller/Processor (240) is connected to a Memory (242), which provides data to the Data Processor (210).RF Transmit Chain (bottom center): This block includes an Analog Lowpass Pass (222), a mixer (224) with LO frequency f_c, a Variable Gain Amplifier (VGA) (228), a Bandpass Pass (230), a Power Amplifier (PA) (232), and a Duplexer (234). The PA output is directed to the Duplexer, which then connects to the RF Receive Chain.Antenna (right side): The Duplexer (234) is connected to an antenna (236).Overall System (right side): The system is labeled 200 and 202, indicating the overall assembly. <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

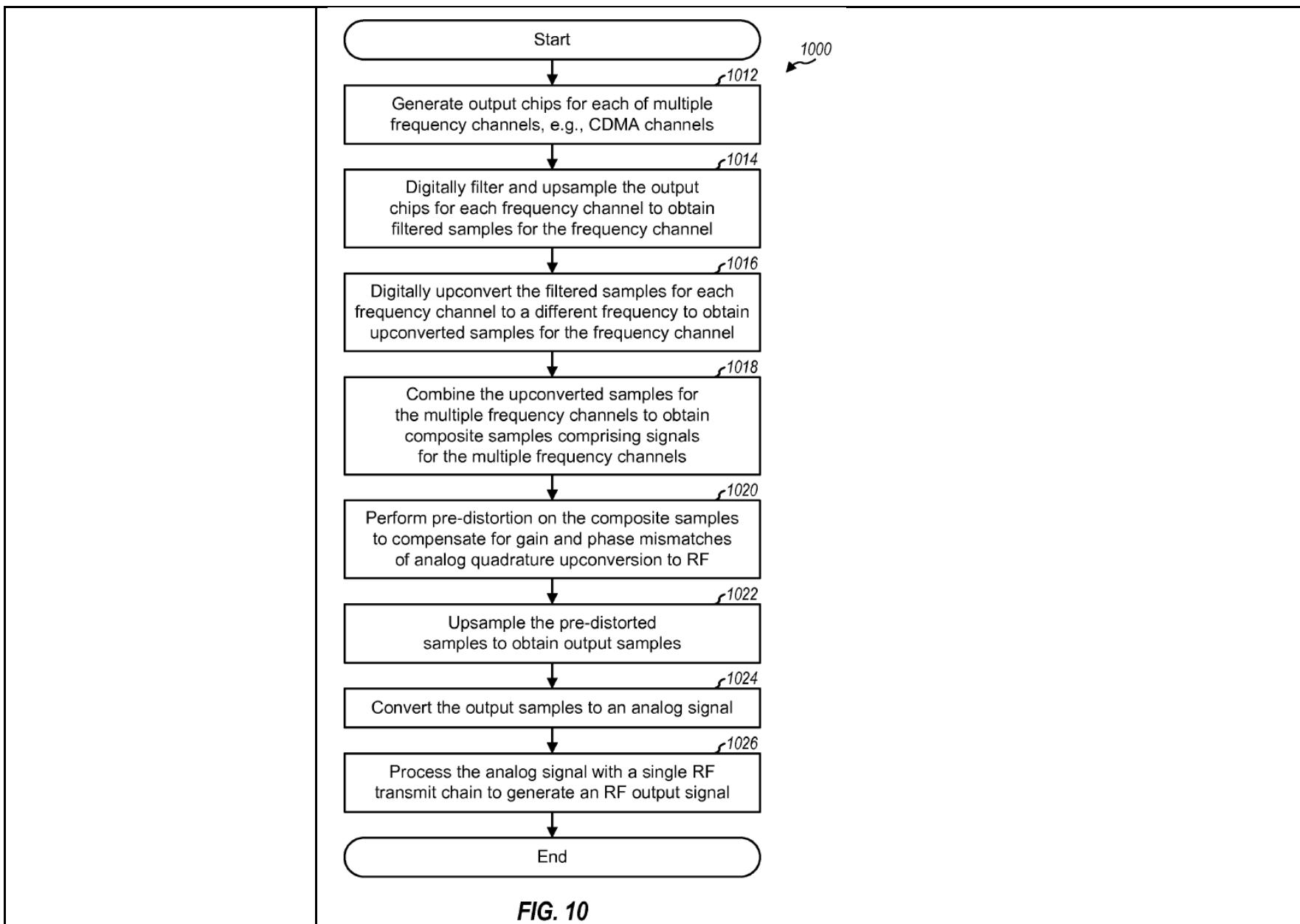


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
Claim 4 of the '802 Patent	Prior Art Reference – Rick
[4.1] The method of claim 3	Rick discloses all the elements of claim 3 for all the reasons provided above.
[4.2] wherein the bandwidth of said power amplifier is greater than the difference between the first lowest frequency and the second highest frequency.	<p>Rick discloses “wherein the bandwidth of said power amplifier is greater than the difference between the first lowest frequency and the second highest frequency.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

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	<p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may</p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, specifically a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section (top left): A Data Processor (210) contains multiple parallel paths. Each path consists of a Digital Filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n), followed by a mixer (214a, 214b, ..., 214n) with local oscillator frequencies f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N, and finally a summation node (Σ) (216). The outputs of the summation nodes feed into a Post Processor (218) and a DAC (220).Controller/Processor and Memory: A Controller/Processor (240) is connected to a Memory (242) and also receives feedback from the Digital Section.RF Transmit Chain (bottom right): This chain starts with an LO Generator (226) providing a local oscillator frequency f_c to an Analog Lowpass Pass (222). The output of this filter is mixed with the signal from the Digital Section via a mixer (224) and then passes through a VGA (228). The signal then goes through a Bandpass Pass (230), a PA (Power Amplifier) (232), and a Duplexer (234) before being transmitted to the RF Receive Chain.RF Receive Chain (far right): The received signal is processed by the Duplexer (234), then sent through the PA (232), Bandpass Pass (230), and VGA (228) stages, and finally mixed with the local oscillator signal via a mixer (224) before being processed by the Analog Lowpass Pass (222).Antennas: The transmitted signal is sent through an antenna (200) and the received signal is sent to an antenna (236) via the Duplexer (234). <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

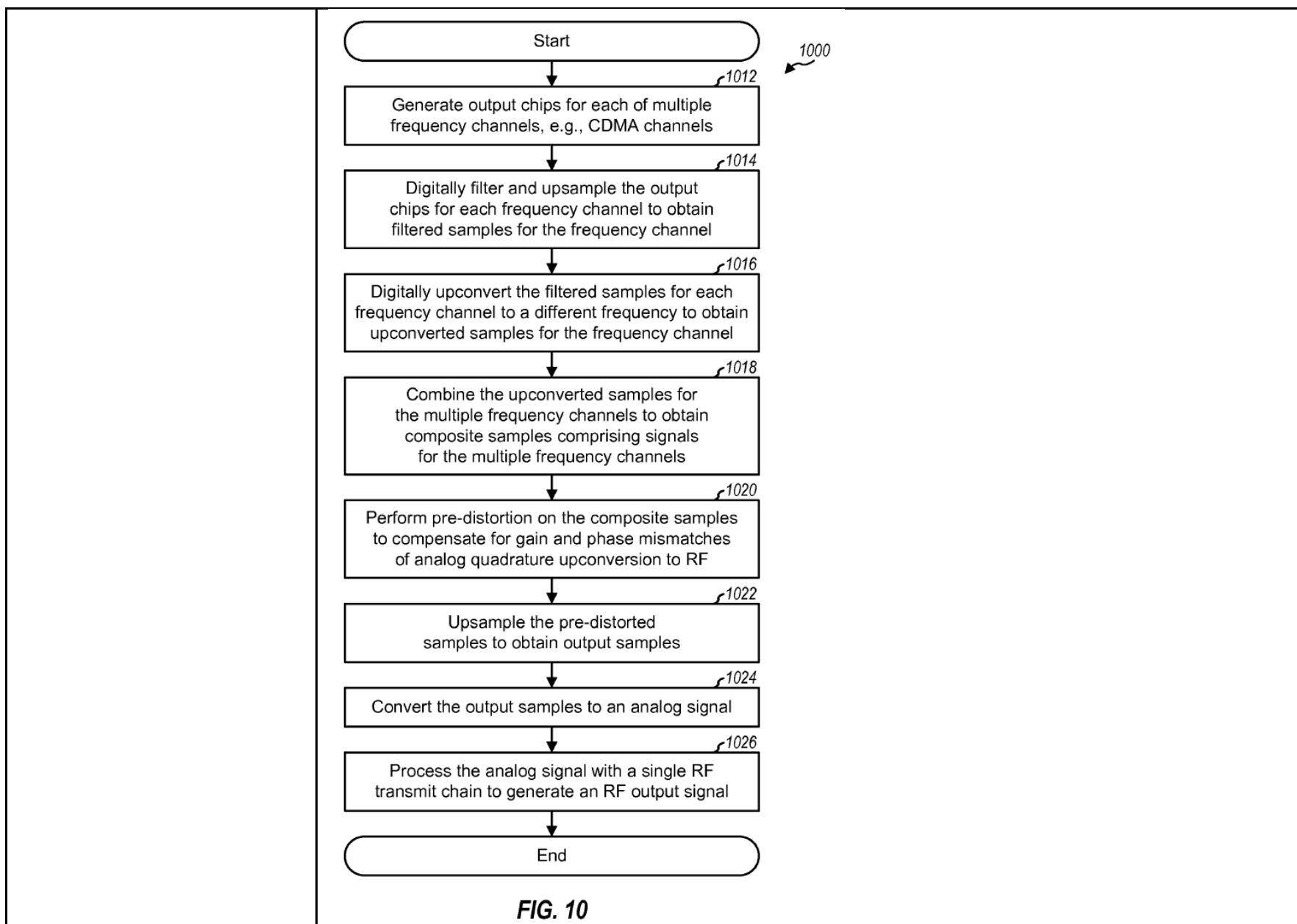


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Claim 6 of the '802 Patent	Prior Art Reference – Rick
[6.1] The method of claim 1	Rick discloses all the elements of claim 1 for all the reasons provided above.
[6.2] wherein the first information corresponds to a first wireless protocol and the second information corresponds to a second wireless protocol.	<p>Rick discloses “wherein the first information corresponds to a first wireless protocol and the second information corresponds to a second wireless protocol.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at Abstract.</p>

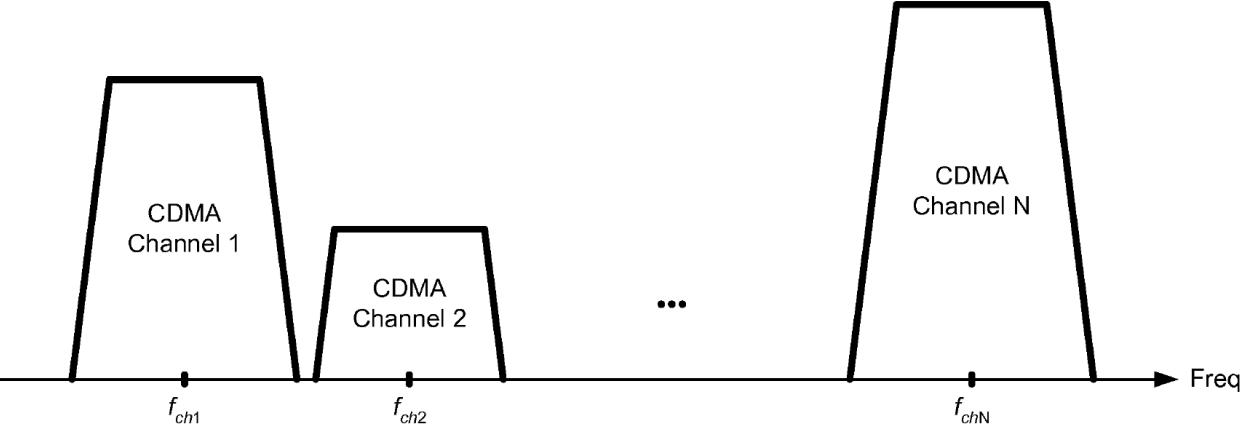
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	<p>combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:48-2:9.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 2:38-57.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless</p>

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	<p>modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p>

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	<p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal</p>

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	<p>from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1298 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 840 982 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, likely a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section (top left): Contains a Data Processor (210) which outputs multiple parallel digital streams $I_1, Q_1, I_2, Q_2, \dots, I_N, Q_N$ to Digital Filter blocks (212a, 212b, ..., 212n). Each digital filter also receives a local oscillator signal f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N. The outputs of the digital filters are summed at a central node labeled Σ. The resulting signal is processed by a Post Processor (218) and then converted to analog via a DAC (220).Controller/Processor and Memory (bottom left): A Controller/Processor (240) is connected to a Memory (242), which provides data to the Data Processor (210).RF Transmit Chain (bottom center): This block includes an Analog Lowpass Pass (222), a mixer (224) with LO frequency f_c, a Variable Gain Amplifier (VGA) (228), a Bandpass Pass (230), a Power Amplifier (PA) (232), and a Duplexer (234). The PA output is directed to the Duplexer, which then connects to the RF Receive Chain.Antenna (right side): The Duplexer (234) is connected to an antenna (200). <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

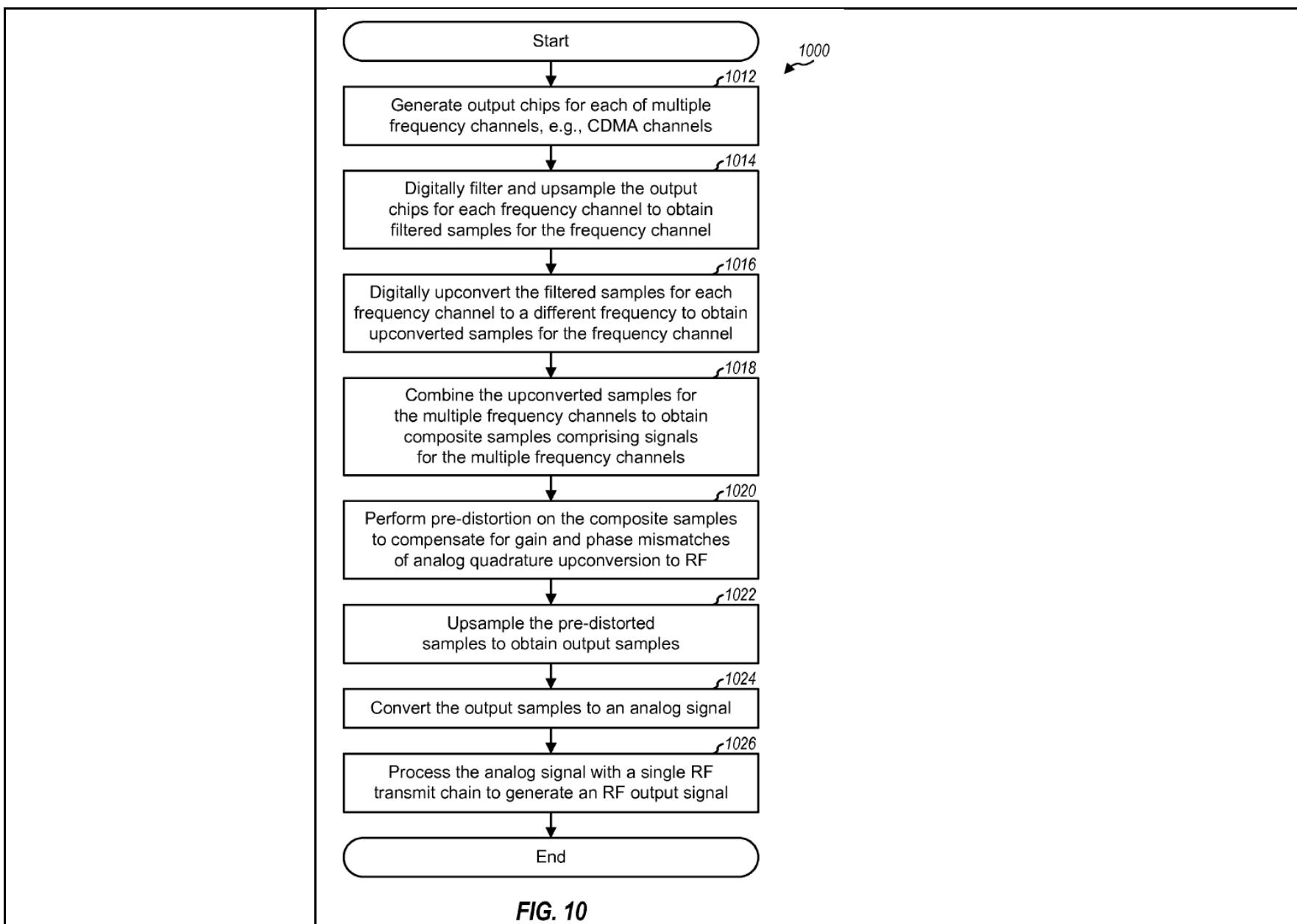


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
Claim 7 of the '802 Patent	Prior Art Reference – Rick
[7.1] The method of claim 1	Rick discloses all the elements of claim 1 for all the reasons provided above.
[7.2] wherein the first information and the second information are the same data transmitted across two different frequencies.	<p>Rick discloses “wherein the first information and the second information are the same data transmitted across two different frequencies.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

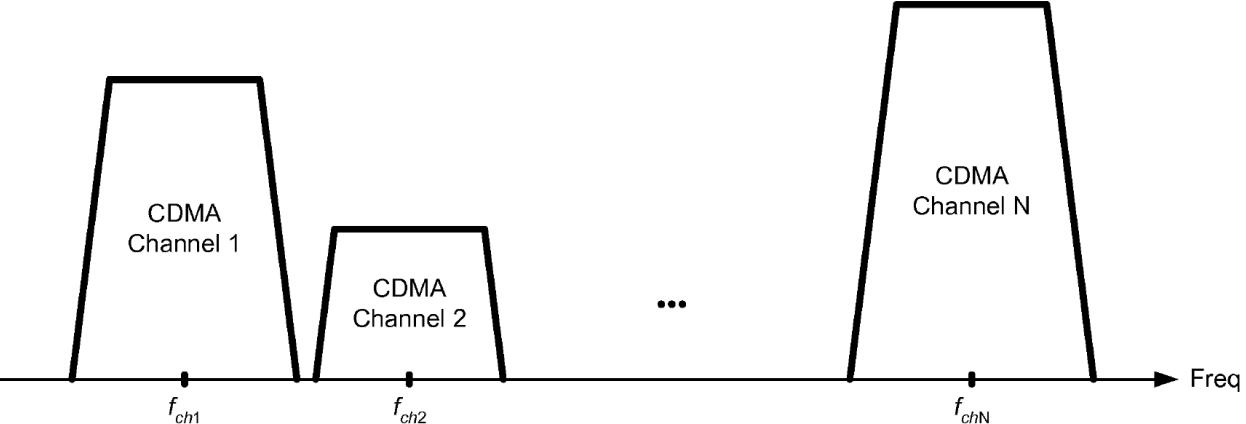
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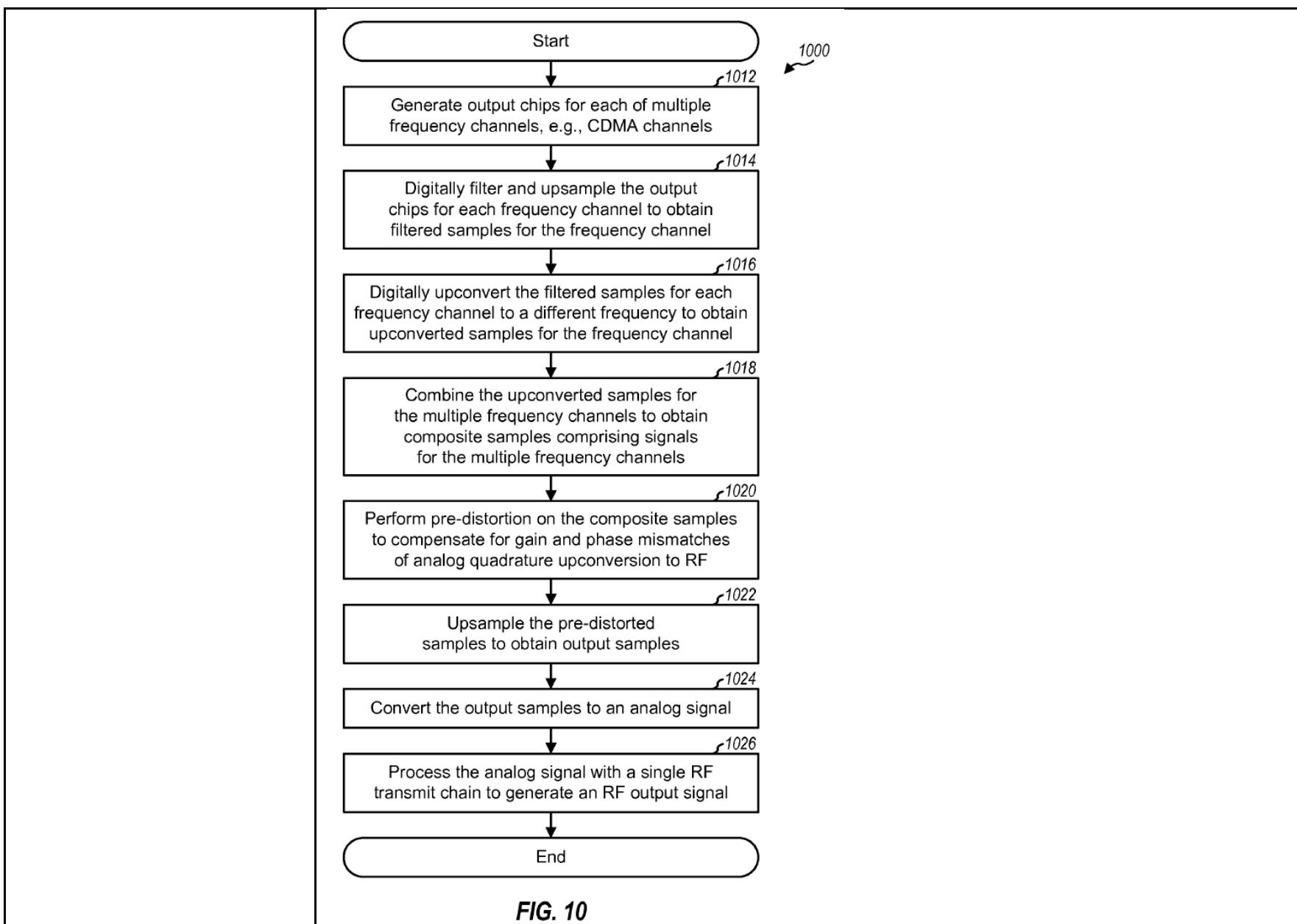


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Claim 8 of the '802 Patent	Prior Art Reference – Rick
[8.1] The method of claim 1	Rick discloses all the elements of claim 1 for all the reasons provided above.
[8.2] wherein the first information and the second information are from the same data stream.	<p>Rick discloses “wherein the first information and the second information are from the same data stream.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

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	<p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may</p>

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	<p>combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless</p>

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	<p>modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p>

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	<p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal</p>

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	<p>from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal signals on a frequency axis. A horizontal axis is labeled "Freq" at the right end. Three specific frequencies are marked with dots and labels: f_{ch1}, f_{ch2}, and f_{chN}. Between f_{ch1} and f_{ch2}, there is a trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel 1". Between f_{ch2} and f_{chN}, there is a trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel 2". Between f_{chN} and the next channel, there is a trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel N". Ellipses between f_{ch2} and f_{chN} indicate the presence of other channels.</p> <p>FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, likely a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section (top left): Contains a Data Processor (210) which outputs multiple parallel digital streams $I_1, Q_1, I_2, Q_2, \dots, I_N, Q_N$ to Digital Filter blocks (212a, 212b, ..., 212n). Each digital filter also receives a local oscillator signal f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N. The outputs of the digital filters are summed at a central node labeled Σ. The resulting signal is processed by a Post Processor (218) and then converted to analog via a DAC (220).Controller/Processor and Memory (bottom left): A Controller/Processor (240) is connected to a Memory (242), which provides data to the Data Processor (210).RF Transmit Chain (bottom center): This block includes an Analog Lowpass Pass (222), a mixer (224) with LO frequency f_c, a Variable Gain Amplifier (VGA) (228), a Bandpass Pass (230), a Power Amplifier (PA) (232), and a Duplexer (234). The Duplexer connects to an antenna port labeled 200.RF Receive Chain (bottom right): An antenna port labeled 204 connects to the Duplexer (234). The Duplexer also has a connection to the RF Receive Chain. <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

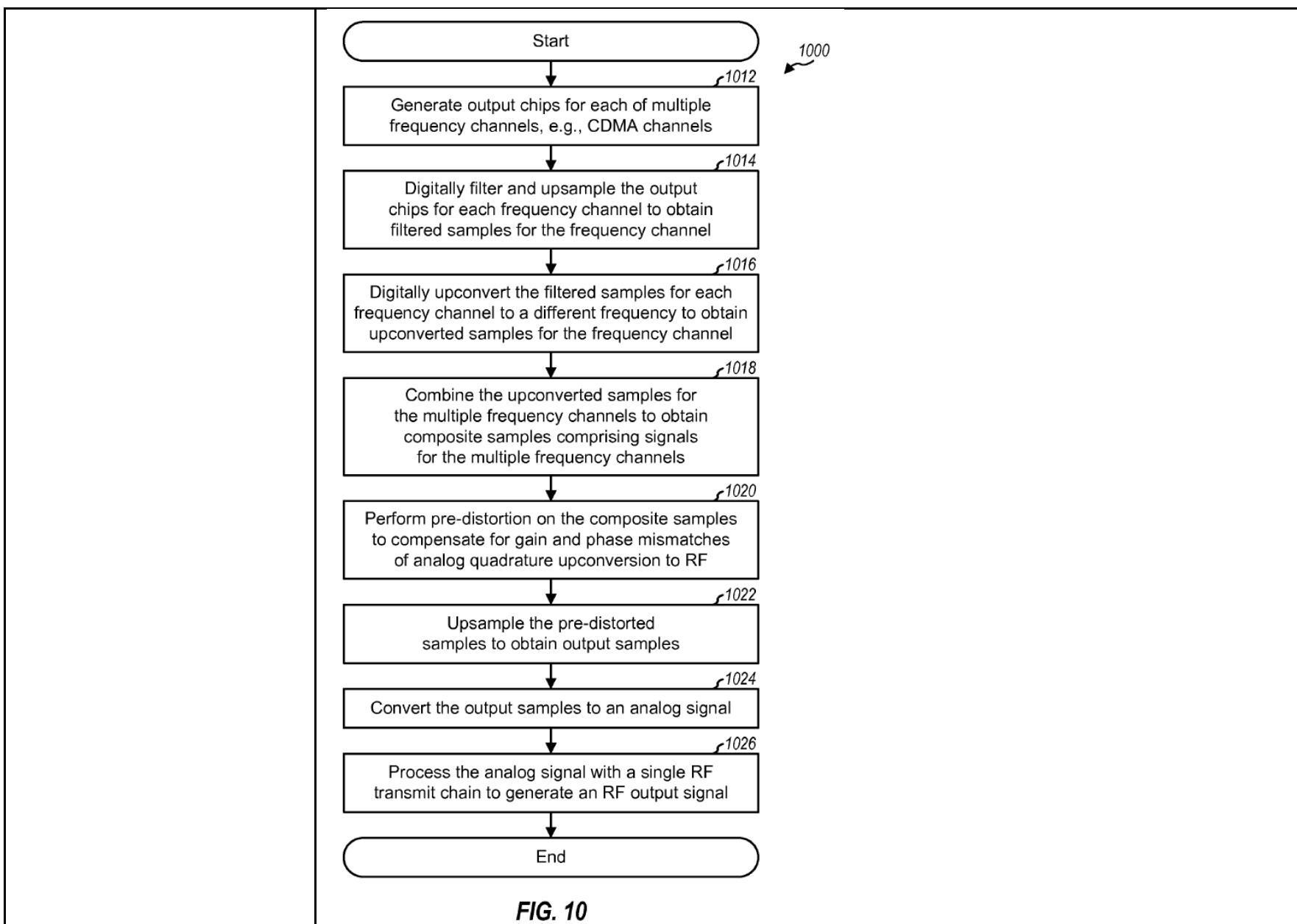


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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
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[9.1] The method of claim 1	Rick discloses all the elements of claim 1 for all the reasons provided above.
[9.2] wherein first information and second information comprise a plurality of OFDM symbols, wherein a first symbol is transmitted during a first time slot across the first frequency range and a second symbol is transmitted during the first time slot across the second frequency range, and wherein a third symbol is transmitted during a second time slot across the first frequency range and a fourth symbol is transmitted during the second time slot across a second frequency range	<p>Rick discloses “wherein first information and second information comprise a plurality of OFDM symbols, wherein a first symbol is transmitted during a first time slot across the first frequency range and a second symbol is transmitted during the first time slot across the second frequency range, and wherein a third symbol is transmitted during a second time slot across the first frequency range and a fourth symbol is transmitted during the second time slot across a second frequency range.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog</p>

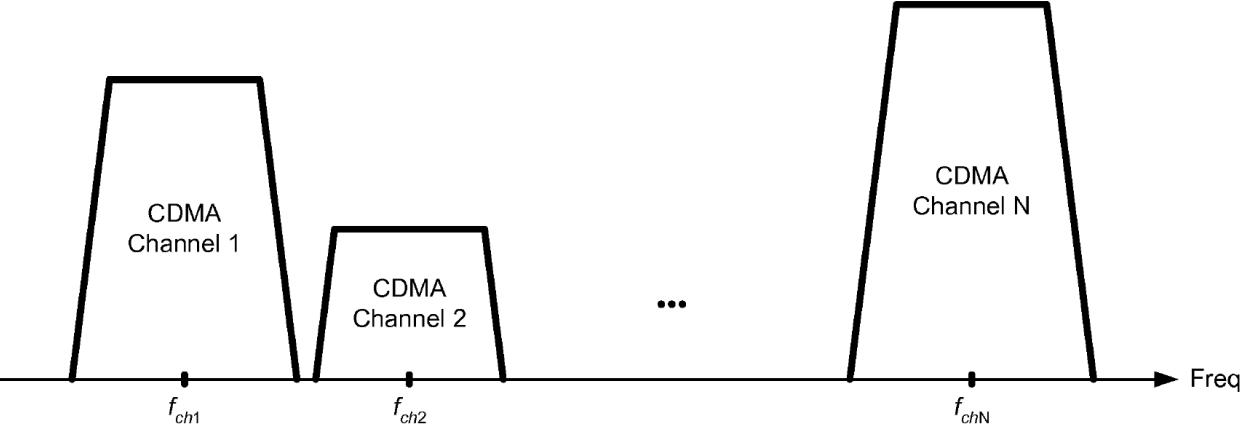
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the second time slot across a second frequency range.	<p>signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each</p>

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	<p>frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:48-2:9.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 2:38-57.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or</p>

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	<p>mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p>

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 3:1-47.</p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of fsample. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of fn, which is determined by the carrier frequency fchn of CDMA channel n and the frequency fc of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p>

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	<p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1288 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 840 982 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, likely a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section (top left): A "Data Processor" block (210) contains multiple parallel paths. Each path consists of a "Digital Filter" (212a, 212b, ..., 212n), followed by a multiplier (214a, 214b, ..., 214n) receiving a local oscillator frequency f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N, and a summation node (Σ) (216). The outputs of the summation nodes feed into a "Post Processor" (218) and a DAC (220).Controller/Processor and Memory (bottom left): A "Controller/Processor" (240) is connected to a "Memory" (242) and also receives feedback from the Digital Section.RF Transmit Chain (bottom center): This block includes an "Analog Lowpass Pass" (222), a multiplier (224) receiving a local oscillator frequency f_c, a VGA (Variable Gain Amplifier) (228), a "Bandpass Pass" (230), a PA (Power Amplifier) (232), and a Duplexer (234). The Duplexer connects to an antenna (236) and also provides a signal to the RF Receive Chain.RF Receive Chain (bottom right): The Duplexer also feeds into the RF Receive Chain.Antenna (top right): The antenna (200) receives signals from the Digital Section and transmits signals through the RF Transmit Chain. <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

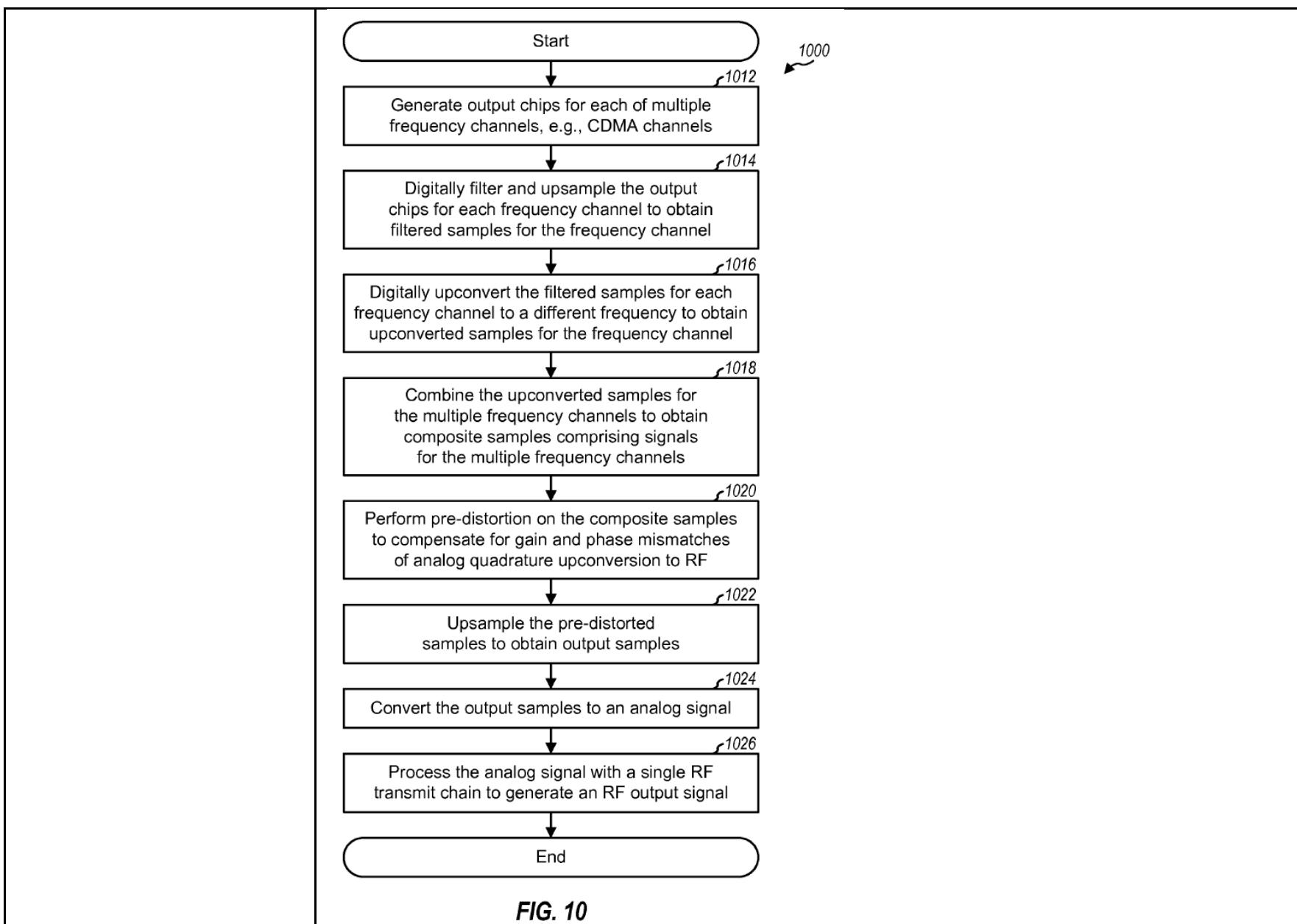


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>

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[10.1] A method of transmitting information in a wireless communication channel comprising:	<p>To the extent the preamble is limiting, Rick discloses “A method of transmitting information in a wireless communication channel comprising.” <i>See, e.g.</i>:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

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	<p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
[10.2] receiving a first digital signal comprising first data to be transmitted;	<p>Rick discloses “receiving a first digital signal comprising first data to be transmitted.” See, e.g.: A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal. <i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at Abstract. Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p>

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	<p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p>

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	<p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p>

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	<p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable</p>

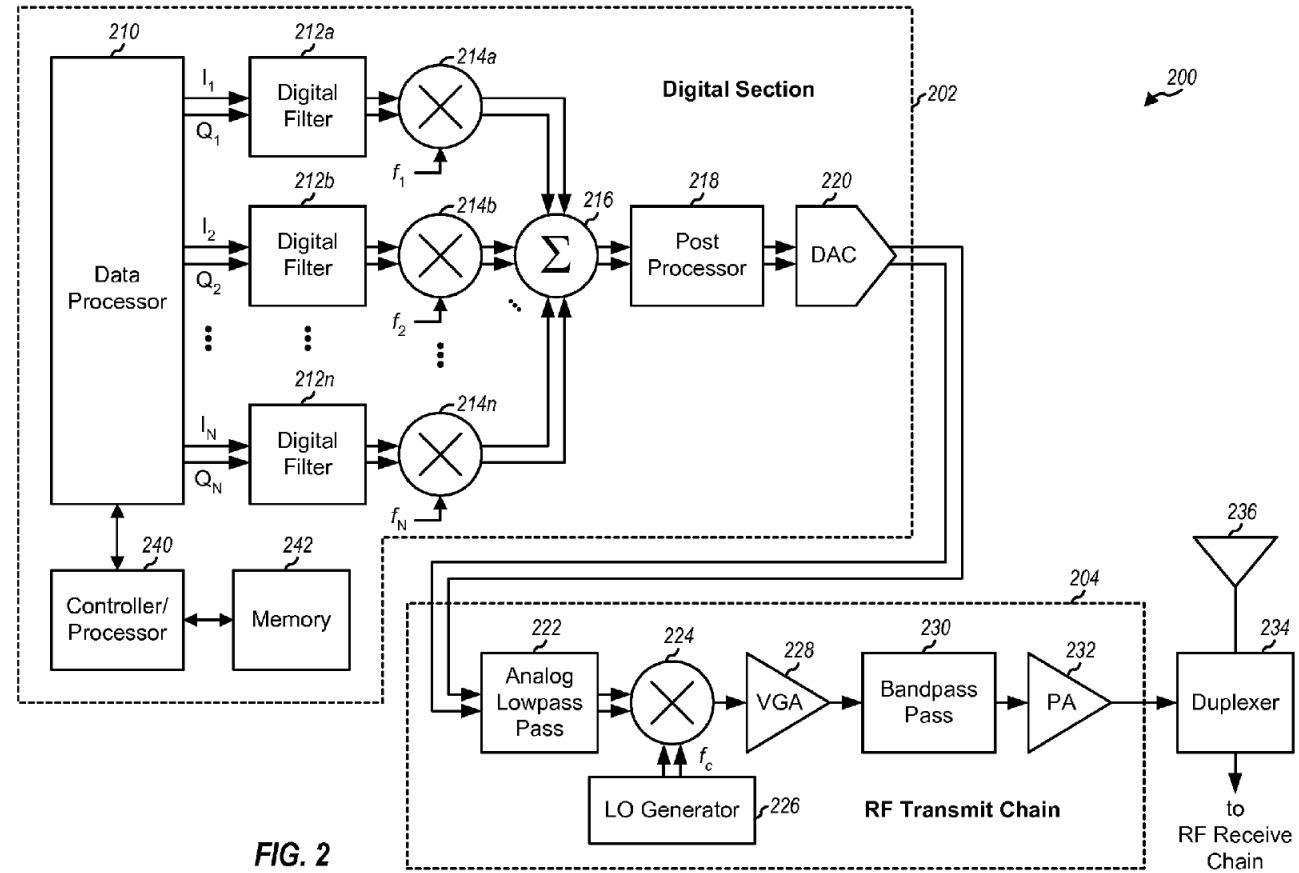
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	<p>and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna</p>

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	<p>236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1277 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 832 982 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.

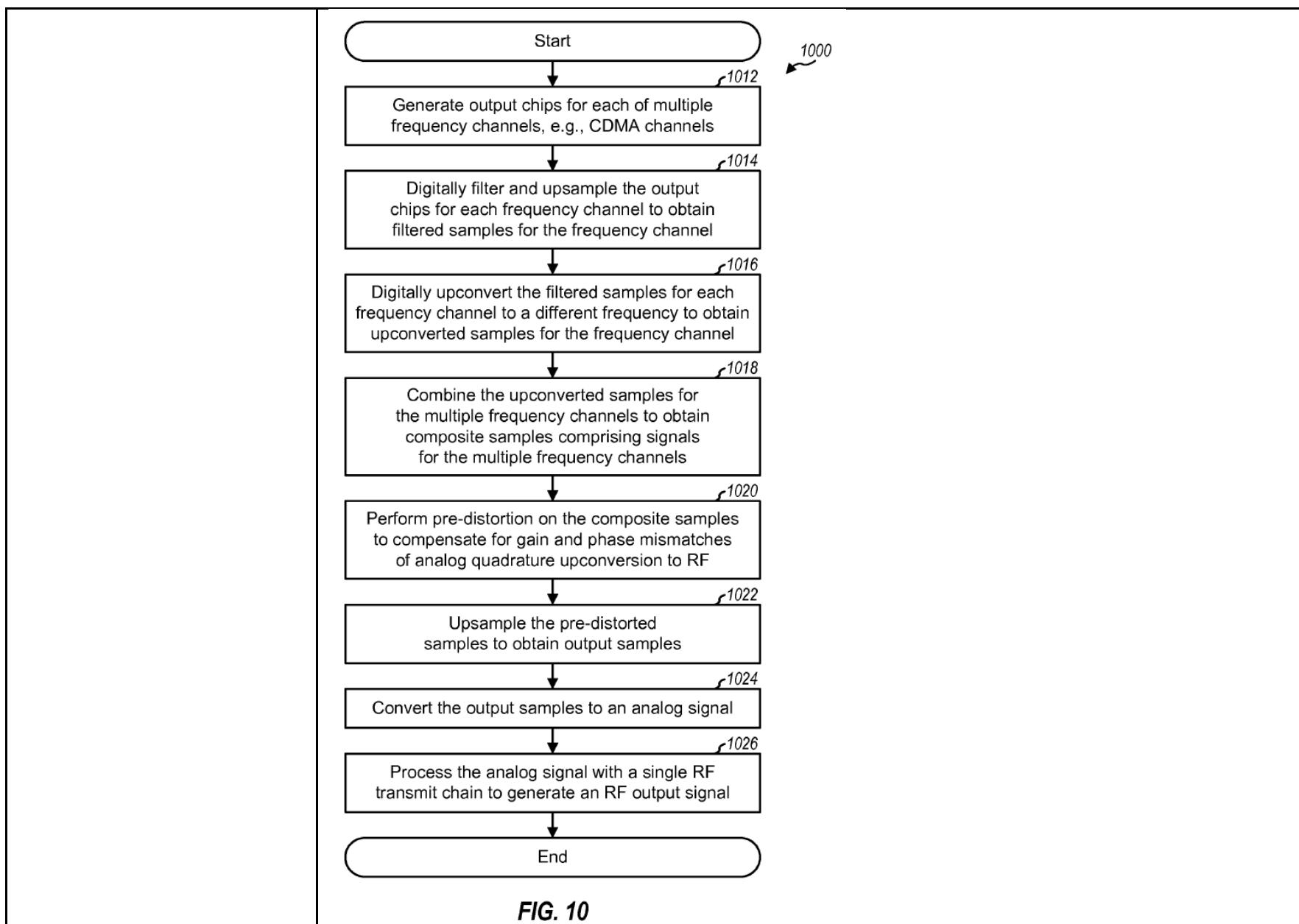


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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
[10.3] receiving a second digital signal comprising second data to be transmitted;	<p>Rick discloses “receiving a second digital signal comprising second data to be transmitted.” See, <i>e.g.</i>:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time</p>

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	<p>Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog</p>

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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	<p>for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a</p>

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	<p>filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier</p>

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	<p>(PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:61-4:67.</p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 5:24-30.</p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1277 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 832 971 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, likely a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section (top left): Contains a Data Processor (210) which outputs multiple parallel digital streams $I_1, Q_1, I_2, Q_2, \dots, I_N, Q_N$ to Digital Filter blocks (212a, 212b, ..., 212n). Each digital filter also receives a local oscillator signal f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N. The outputs of the digital filters are multiplied by local oscillator signals at mixers (214a, 214b, ..., 214n) and summed at a central summation node (216). The resulting signal is processed by a Post Processor (218) and then converted to analog via a DAC (220).Controller/Processor and Memory (bottom left): A Controller/Processor (240) is connected to a Memory (242), which provides data to the Data Processor (210).RF Transmit Chain (bottom center): This chain includes an Analog Lowpass Pass (222), a mixer (224) driven by a LO Generator (226), a VGA, a Bandpass Pass (230), a PA (Power Amplifier), and a Duplexer (234). The duplexer feeds into the RF Receive Chain.Antenna (right side): An antenna (200) is connected to the RF transmit chain via a port labeled 202. The duplexer also has a connection to an RF Receive Chain via port 204. <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

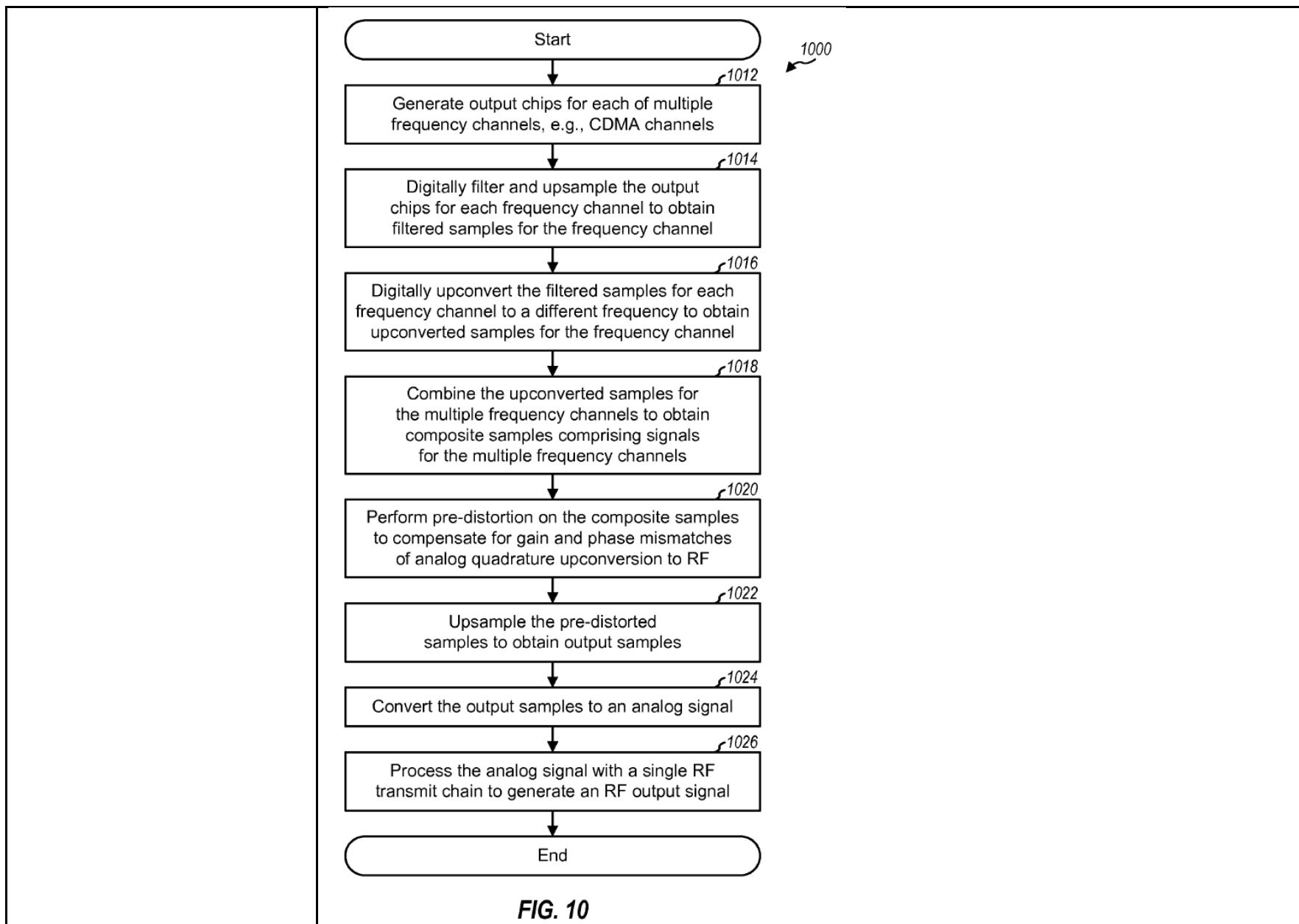


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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
[10.4] converting the first digital signal into a first analog signal using a first digital-to-analog converter, the first analog signal carrying the first data across a first frequency range;;	<p>Rick discloses “converting the first digital signal into a first analog signal using a first digital-to-analog converter, the first analog signal carrying the first data across a first frequency range.” See, <i>e.g.</i>:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of</p>

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	<p>such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog</p>

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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	<p>filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier</p>

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	<p>(PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:61-4:67.</p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 5:24-30.</p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1277 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 832 971 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture. It is divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section: This block contains a Data Processor (210) which includes multiple parallel paths. Each path consists of a Digital Filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n), followed by a mixer (214a, 214b, ..., 214n) with local oscillator frequencies f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N, and finally a summation node (Σ) (216). The outputs of the summation nodes are fed into a Post Processor (218) and then a DAC (220).RF Transmit Chain: This block includes an LO Generator (226) providing a local oscillator frequency f_c to an Analog Lowpass Pass (222). The output of this pass is mixed with the signal from the Post Processor via a mixer (224) and then processed by a VGA (228). The signal then passes through a Bandpass Pass (230), a PA (Power Amplifier) (232), and a Duplexer (234) before being transmitted.RF Receive Chain: The Duplexer (234) also provides a signal to the RF Receive Chain.Controller/Processor and Memory: A Controller/Processor (240) is connected to the Data Processor (210) and the Memory (242).Antenna: The transmitted signal is sent to an antenna (200), and the received signal is received by the same antenna (200) and processed by the RF Receive Chain. <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

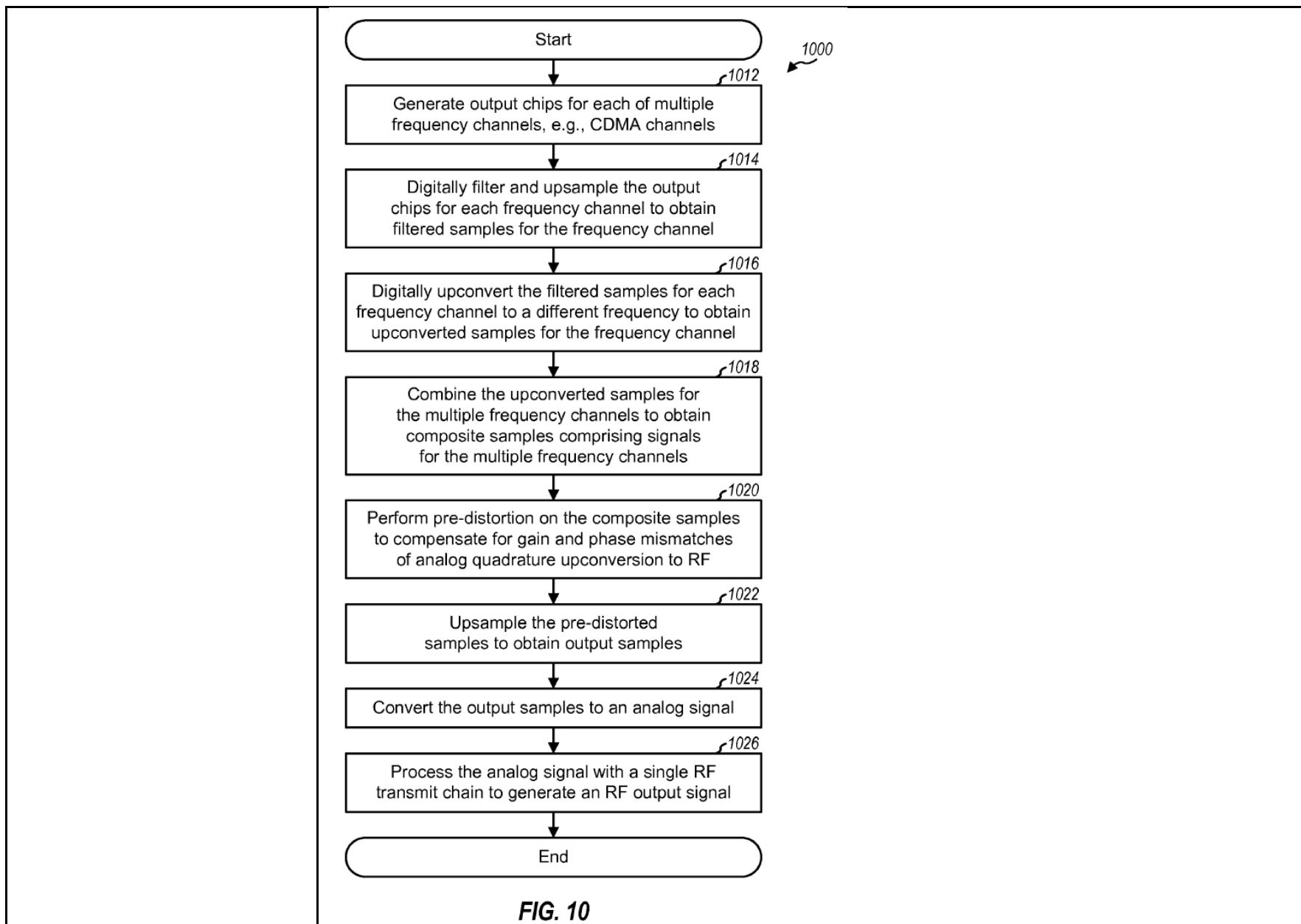


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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
[10.5] converting the second digital signal into a second analog signal using a second digital-to-analog converter, the second analog signal carrying the second data across a second frequency range;	<p>Rick discloses “converting the second digital signal into a second analog signal using a second digital-to-analog converter, the second analog signal carrying the second data across a second frequency range.” See, <i>e.g.</i>:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of</p>

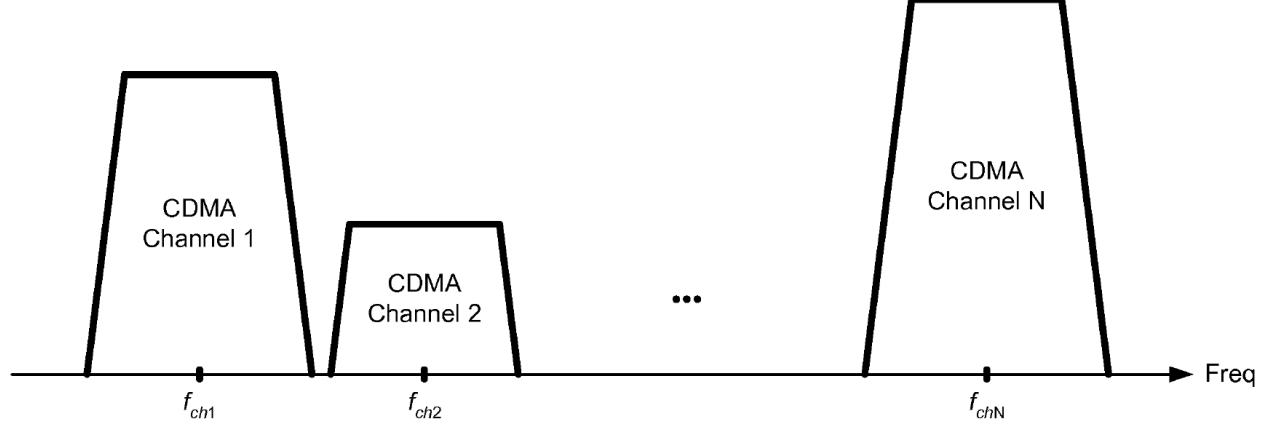
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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal signals on a horizontal axis labeled "Freq". There are three labeled channels: "CDMA Channel 1" at the left end, "CDMA Channel 2" in the middle, and "CDMA Channel N" at the right end. Each channel is represented by a trapezoid. Vertical tick marks on the axis indicate the center frequencies of the channels, labeled f_{ch1}, f_{ch2}, and f_{chN}. Ellipses between the second and third channels indicate additional channels.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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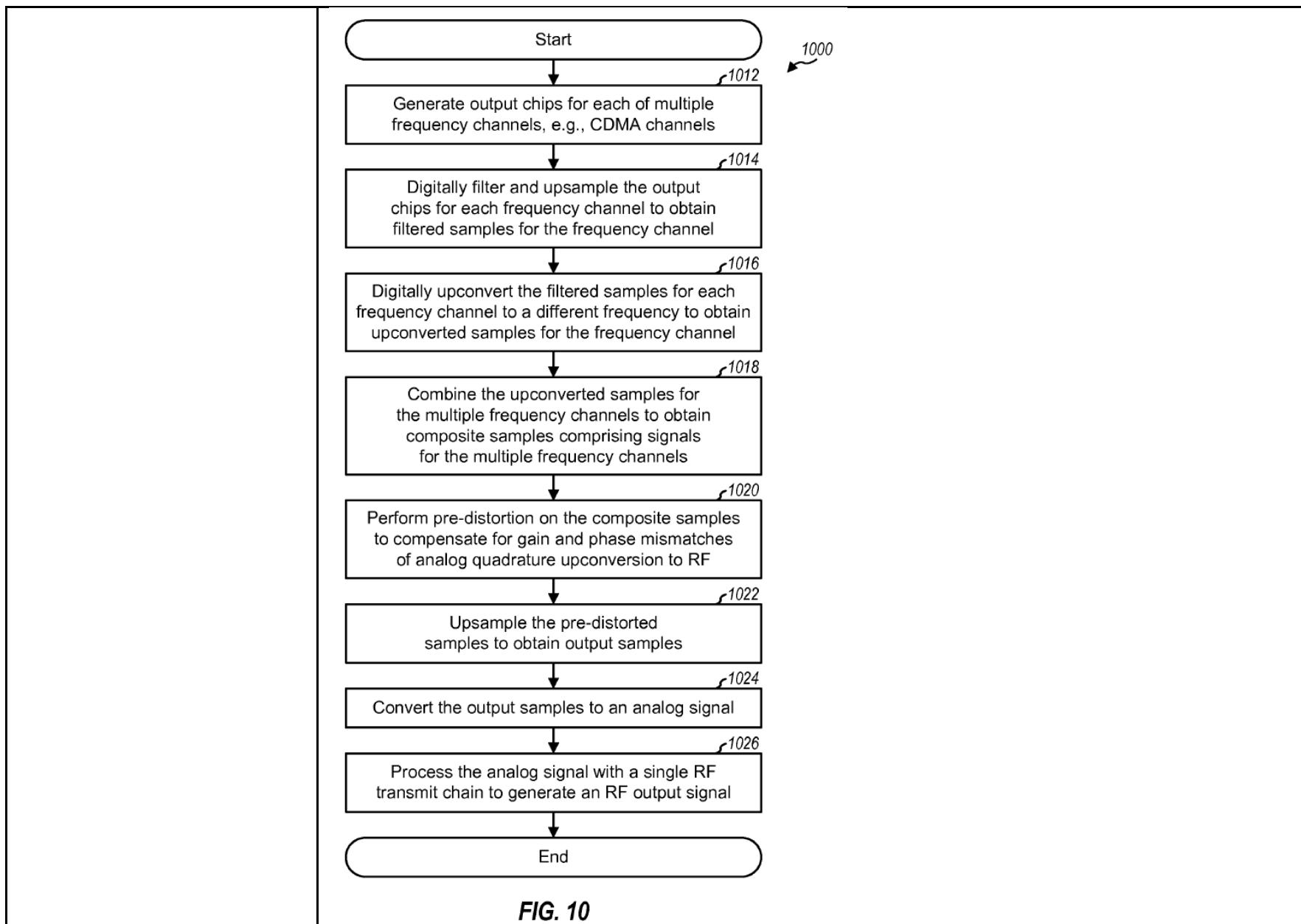


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[10.6] up-converting the first analog signal to a first RF center frequency to produce a first up-converted analog signal, wherein the first up-converted analog signal comprises a first up-converted frequency range from the first RF center frequency minus one-half the first frequency range to the first RF center frequency plus one-half the first frequency range;	<p>Rick discloses “up-converting the first analog signal to a first RF center frequency to produce a first up-converted analog signal, wherein the first up-converted analog signal comprises a first up-converted frequency range from the first RF center frequency minus one-half the first frequency range to the first RF center frequency plus one-half the first frequency range.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access</p>

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	<p>samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p>

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	<p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system.</p>

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	<p>Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal</p>

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	<p>from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1277 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 832 971 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, likely a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Data Processor (210): This block contains multiple parallel paths, each consisting of a digital filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n) followed by a multiplier (214a, 214b, ..., 214n). The outputs of these multipliers are summed at a central summation node (216). The summed signal then passes through a Post Processor (218) and a DAC (220).Digital Section: A dashed-line box encloses the Data Processor and the Post Processor/DAC path.RF Transmit Chain: A dashed-line box encloses the RF signal processing path. It starts with an LO Generator (226) providing a local oscillator signal (f_c) to an Analog Lowpass Pass (222). The output of 222 is multiplied by a local oscillator signal (f_c) at 224, then processed by a VGA (228), a Bandpass Pass (230), and a PA (232). The PA's output is fed into a Duplexer (234), which also receives signals from the RF Receive Chain.RF Receive Chain: The Duplexer (234) has two outputs: one to the RF Receive Chain and one to the RF Transmit Chain.Controller/Processor (240) and Memory (242): These components provide control and memory resources for the system, with bidirectional communication links to the Data Processor.Antenna (200): The final output of the RF Transmit Chain is directed to the antenna. <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

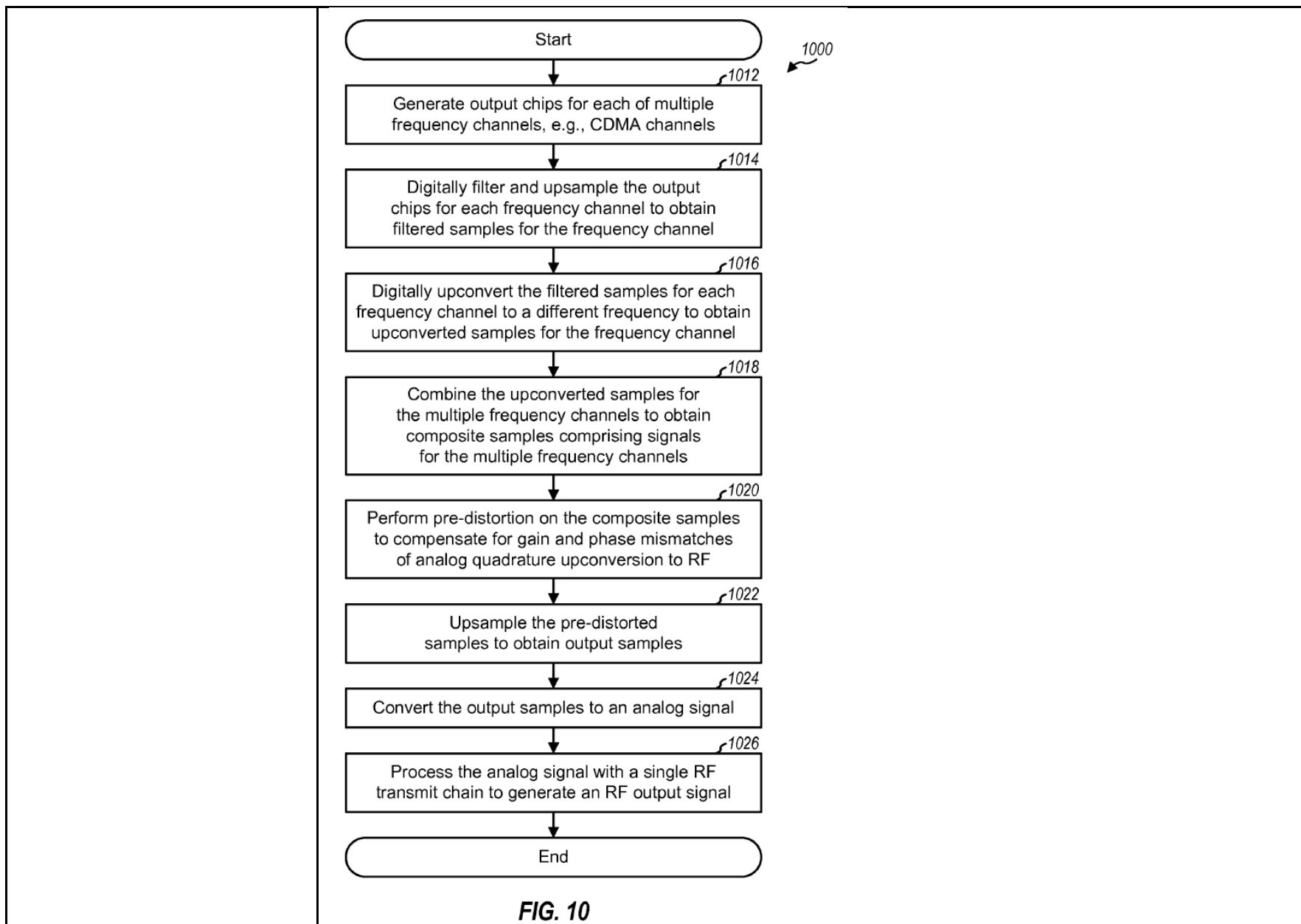


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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
<p>[10.7] up-converting the second analog signal to a second RF center frequency greater than the first center RF frequency to produce a second up-converted analog signal, wherein the second up-converted analog signal comprises a second up-converted frequency range from the second RF center frequency minus one-half the second frequency range to the second RF center frequency plus one-half the second frequency range, and wherein a frequency difference between the first RF center frequency and the second RF center frequency is greater than the sum of one-half the</p>	<p>Rick discloses “up-converting the second analog signal to a second RF center frequency greater than the first center RF frequency to produce a second up-converted analog signal, wherein the second up-converted analog signal comprises a second up-converted frequency range from the second RF center frequency minus one-half the second frequency range to the second RF center frequency plus one-half the second frequency range, and wherein a frequency difference between the first RF center frequency and the second RF center frequency is greater than the sum of one-half the first frequency range and one-half the second frequency range.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

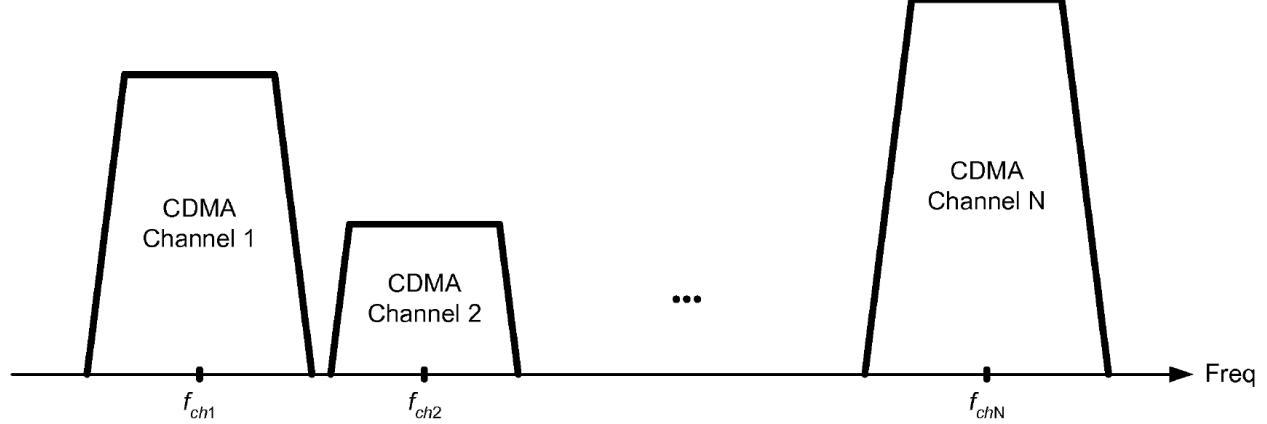
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first frequency range and one-half the second frequency range;	<p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:20-41.</i></p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may</p>

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	<p>combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless</p>

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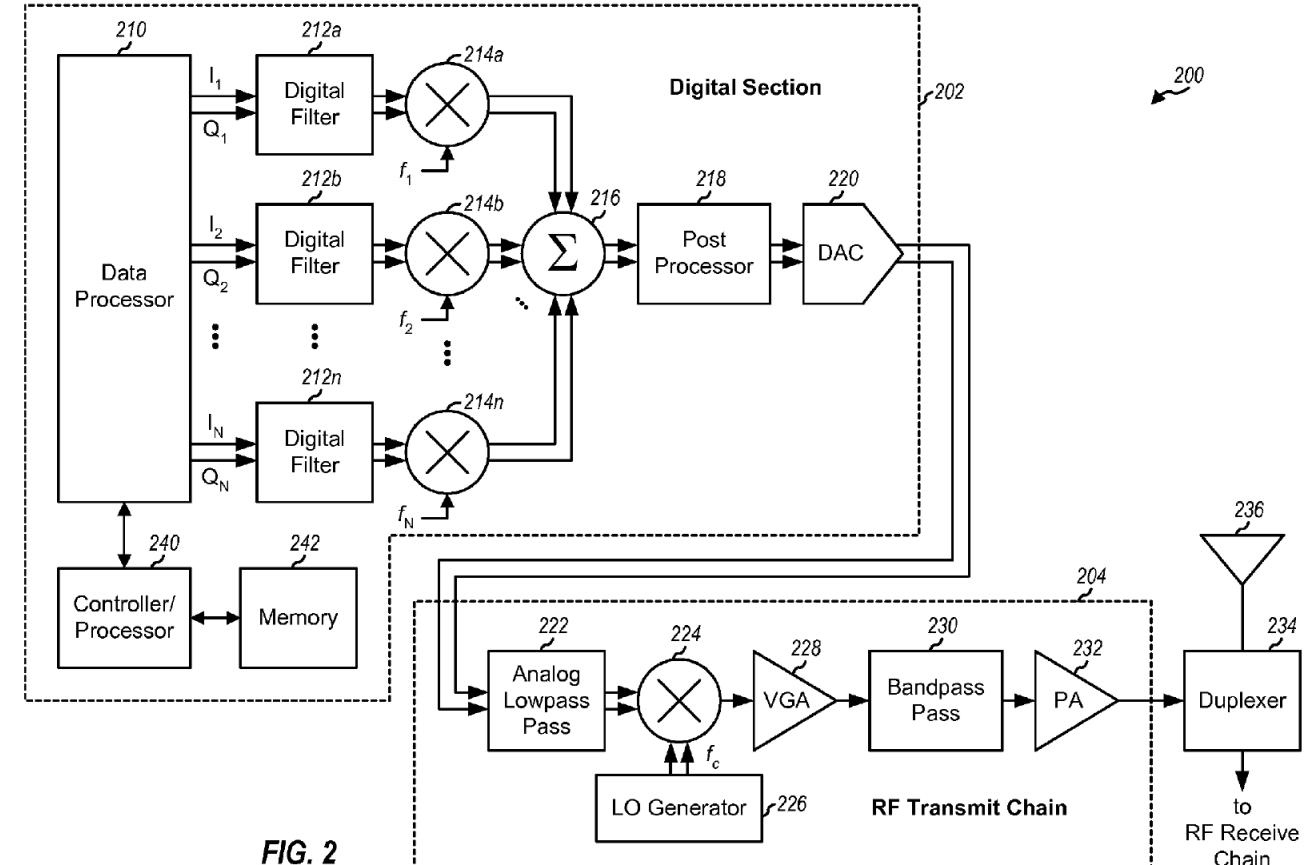
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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal signals on a frequency axis. A horizontal axis is labeled "Freq" at the right end. Three specific frequencies are marked with dots and labels: f_{ch1}, f_{ch2}, and f_{chN}. Between f_{ch1} and f_{ch2}, there is a trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel 1". Between f_{ch2} and f_{chN}, there is a trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel 2". To the right of f_{chN}, there is another trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel N". Ellipses between f_{ch2} and f_{chN} indicate the presence of other channels.</p> <p>FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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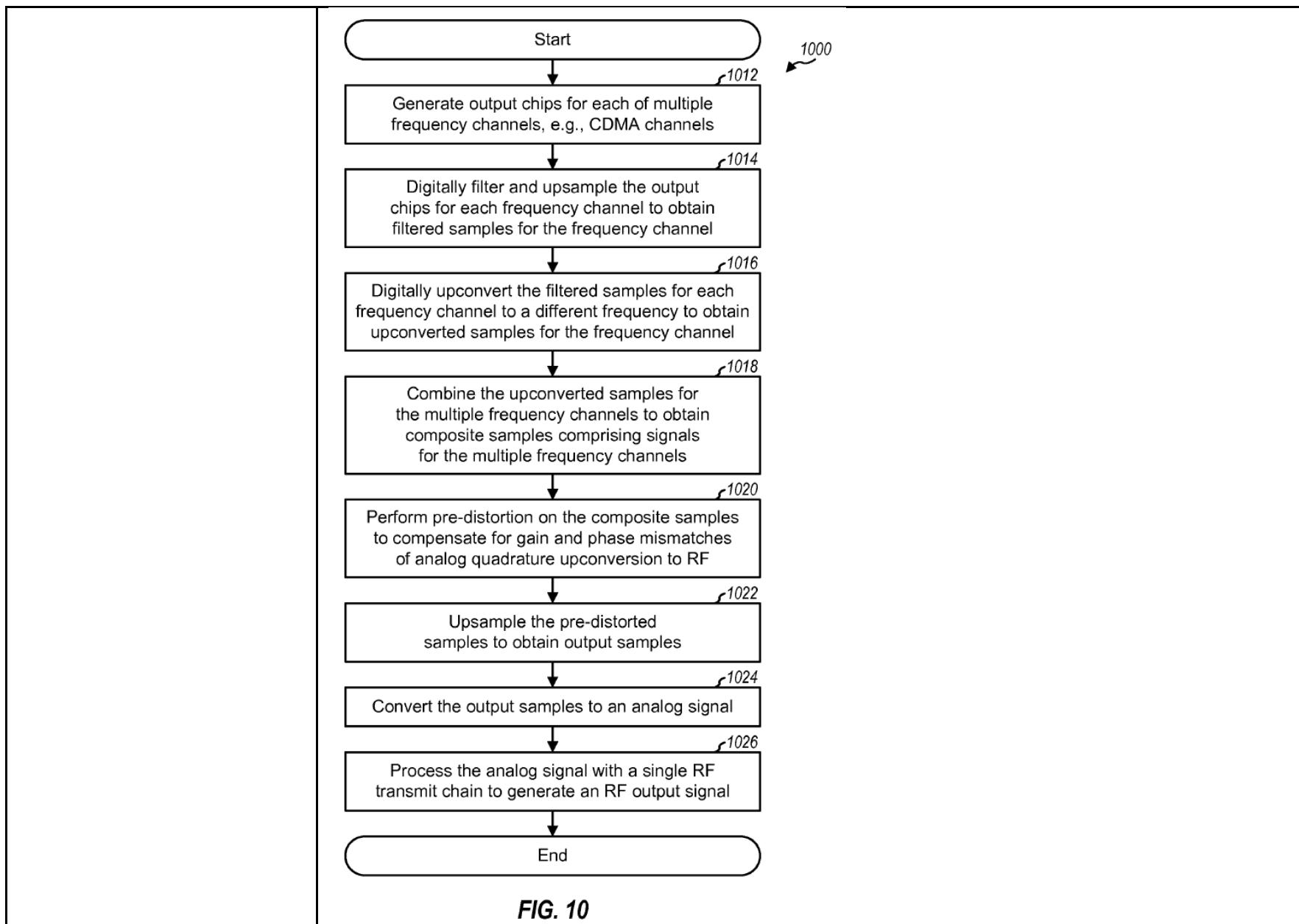


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<p>[10.8] combining the first up-converted analog signal and the second up-converted analog signal to produce a combined up-converted signal;</p>	<p>Rick discloses “combining the first up-converted analog signal and the second up-converted analog signal to produce a combined up-converted signal.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time</p>

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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	<p>(PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:61-4:67.</p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 5:24-30.</p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1277 791"><i>FIG. 1</i></p> <p data-bbox="623 832 982 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture. It is divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Data Processor (210): Contains multiple parallel paths, each consisting of a digital filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n) followed by a multiplier (214a, 214b, ..., 214n). The outputs of these multipliers are summed at a central summation node (216).Digital Section: This section includes a post processor (218) and a DAC (220), which converts the digital signal from the summation node into an analog signal.RF Transmit Chain: This section includes an LO Generator (226), an Analog Lowpass Pass (222), a mixer (224), a VGA (Variable Gain Amplifier), a Bandpass Pass (230), and a PA (Power Amplifier). The PA feeds into a Duplexer (234), which also receives signals from the RF Receive Chain.Controller/Processor (240) and Memory (242): These components provide control and memory resources for the system.Antenna (200): The final output of the system is directed to an antenna.RF Receive Chain: This section includes a duplexer (236) and a receiver block (232). <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

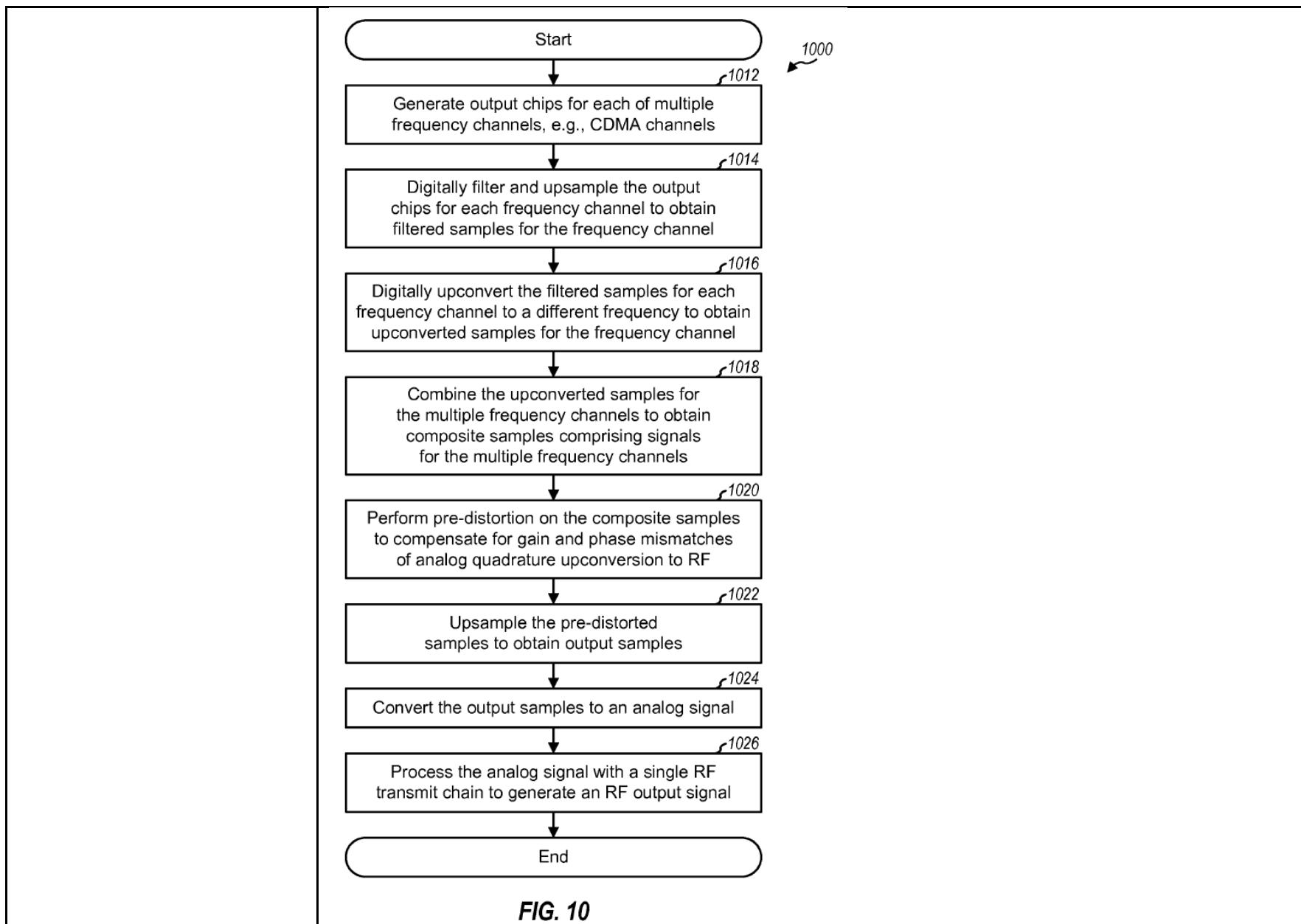


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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
[10.9] amplifying the combined up-converted signal in a power amplifier resulting in an amplified combined up-converted signal; and	<p>Rick discloses “amplifying the combined up-converted signal in a power amplifier resulting in an amplified combined up-converted signal.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time</p>

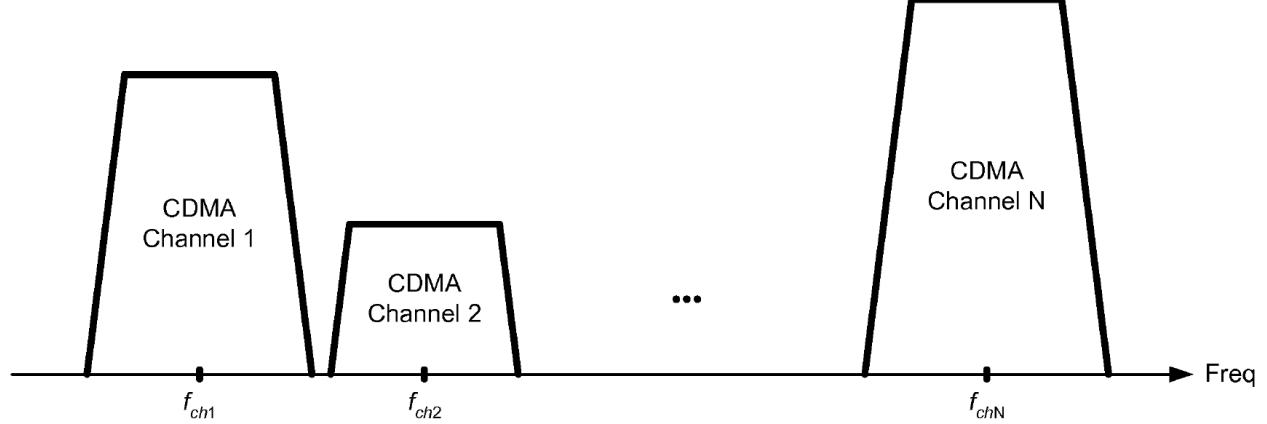
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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal signals on a horizontal axis labeled "Freq". There are three labeled channels: "CDMA Channel 1" at frequency f_{ch1}, "CDMA Channel 2" at frequency f_{ch2}, and "CDMA Channel N" at frequency f_{chN}. Ellipses between the second and third channels indicate additional channels. Each channel is represented by a trapezoid, which is zero at the edges and reaches a maximum power level in the center. The frequencies $f_{ch1}, f_{ch2}, \dots, f_{chN}$ are marked on the frequency axis.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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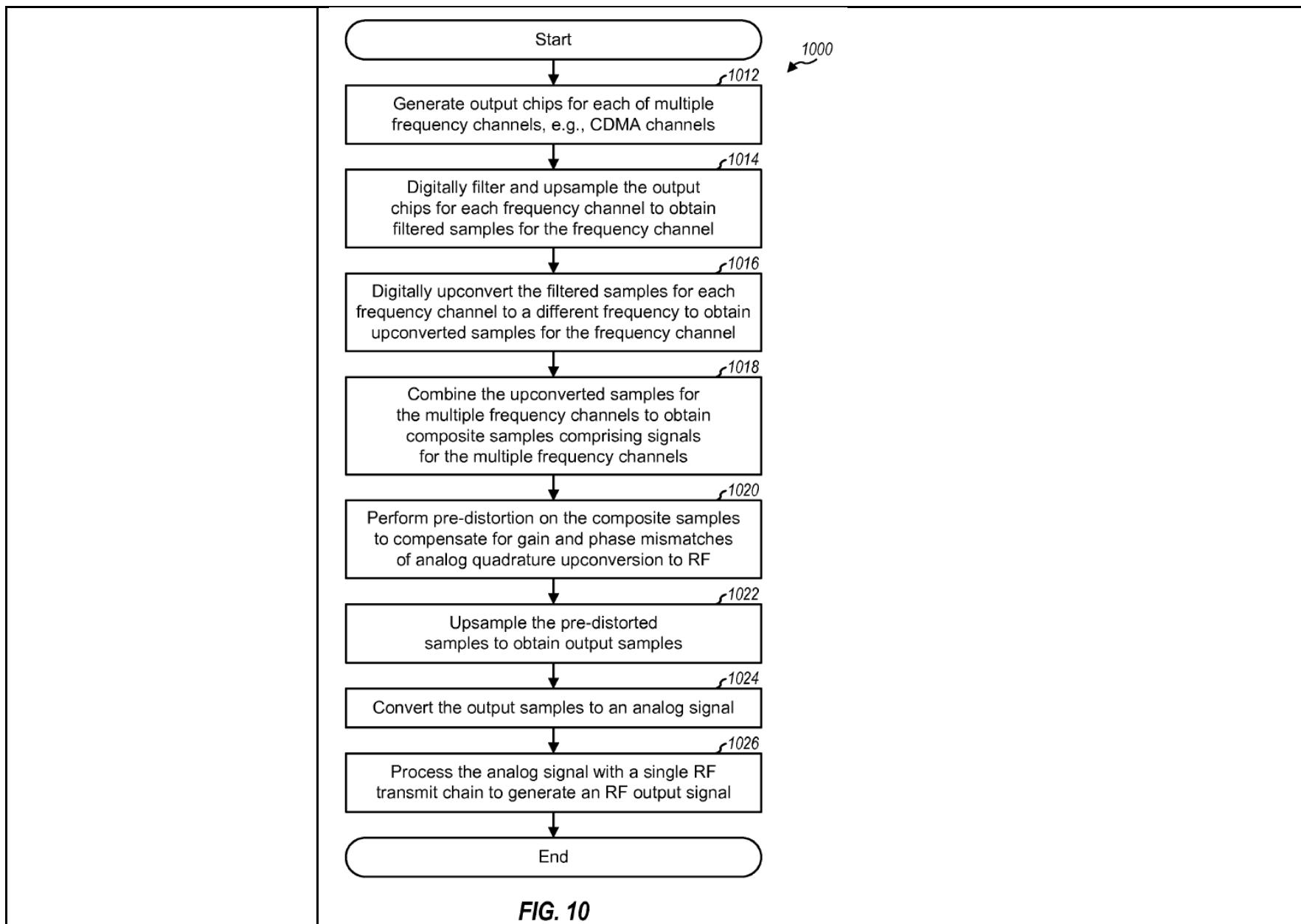


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[10.10] transmitting the amplified combined up-converted signal on a first antenna,	<p>Rick discloses “transmitting the amplified combined up-converted signal on a first antenna.” See, <i>e.g.</i>:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time</p>

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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	<p>for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a</p>

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	<p>filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier</p>

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	<p>(PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:61-4:67.</p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 5:24-30.</p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1277 791"><i>FIG. 1</i></p> <p data-bbox="623 832 982 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture. It is divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section: This block contains a Data Processor (210) which includes multiple parallel paths. Each path consists of a Digital Filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n), followed by a mixer (214a, 214b, ..., 214n) with local oscillator frequencies f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N, and finally a summation node (Σ) (216). The outputs of the summation nodes are fed into a Post Processor (218) and then a DAC (220).RF Transmit Chain: This block includes an LO Generator (226) providing a local oscillator frequency f_c to an Analog Lowpass Pass (222). The output of this pass is mixed with the signal from the Post Processor via a mixer (224) and then processed by a VGA (228). The signal then passes through a Bandpass Pass (230), a PA (Power Amplifier) (232), and a Duplexer (234) before being transmitted.RF Receive Chain: The Duplexer (234) also provides a signal to the RF Receive Chain.Controller/Processor and Memory: A Controller/Processor (240) is connected to the Data Processor (210) and the Memory (242).Antenna: The transmitted signal is sent to an antenna (200), and the received signal is received by the same antenna (200) and processed by the RF Receive Chain. <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

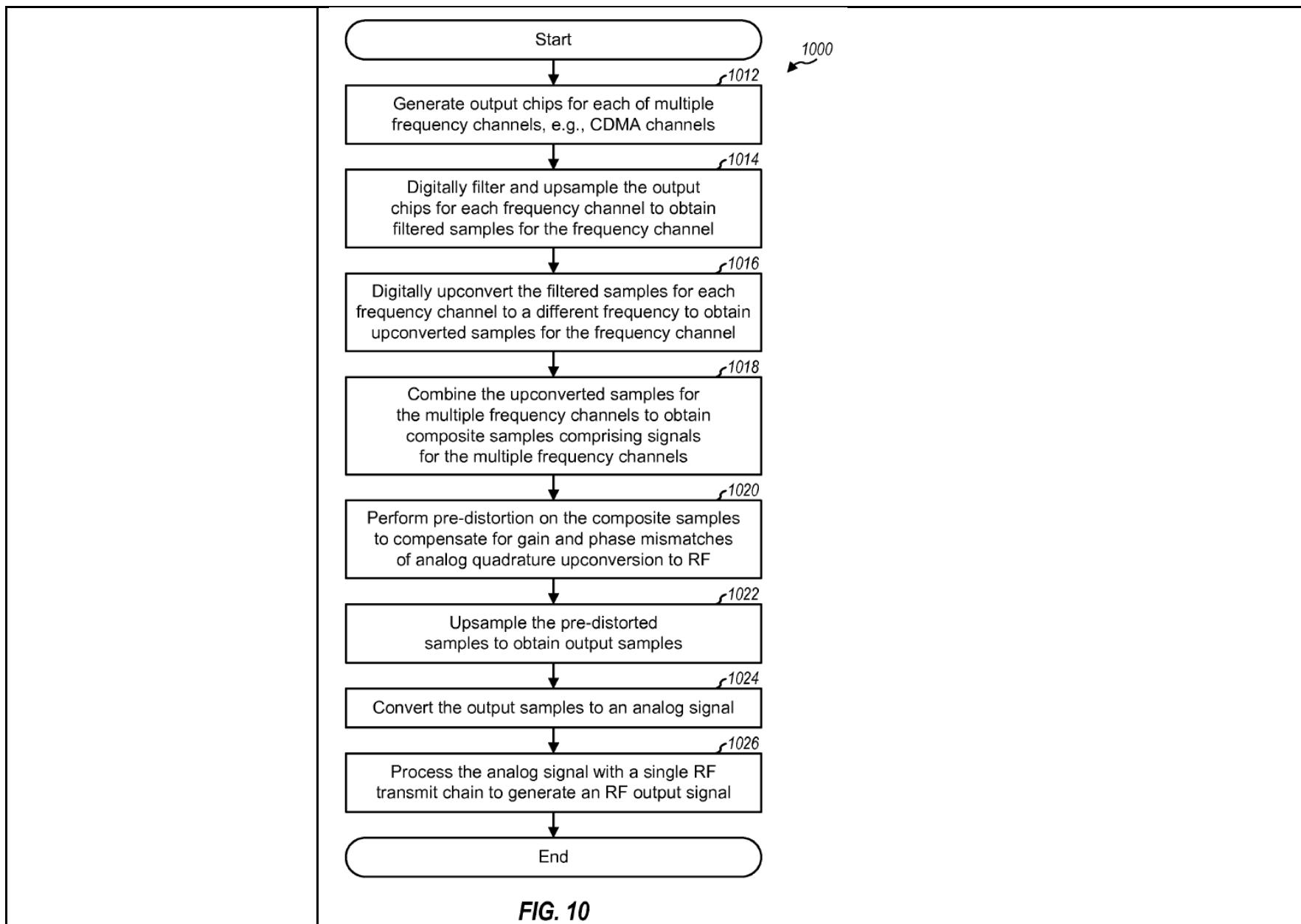


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
[10.11] wherein the bandwidth of said power amplifier is greater than the difference between a lowest frequency in the first up-converted frequency range and a highest frequency in the second up-converted frequency range.	<p>Rick discloses “wherein the bandwidth of said power amplifier is greater than the difference between a lowest frequency in the first up-converted frequency range and a highest frequency in the second up-converted frequency range.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of</p>

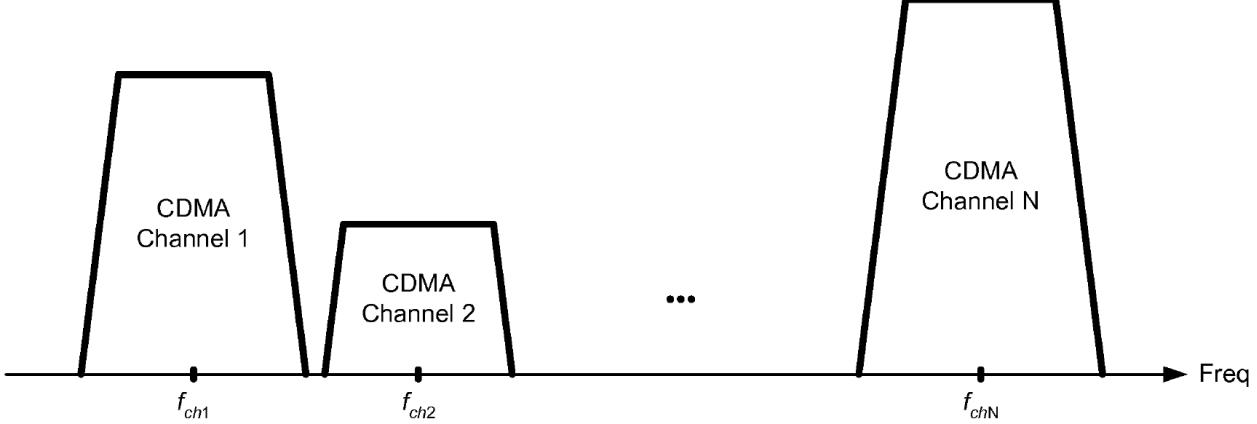
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	<p>such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog</p>

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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	<p>for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a</p>

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	<p>filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier</p>

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	<p>(PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:61-4:67.</p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 5:24-30.</p>

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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal pulses on a frequency axis. A horizontal axis is labeled "Freq" at the right end. Three specific frequencies are marked with dots and labels: f_{ch1}, f_{ch2}, and f_{chN}. Between f_{ch1} and f_{ch2}, there is a trapezoidal pulse labeled "CDMA Channel 1". Between f_{ch2} and f_{chN}, there is a trapezoidal pulse labeled "CDMA Channel 2". Between f_{chN} and the next channel, there is a trapezoidal pulse labeled "CDMA Channel N". Ellipses between f_{ch2} and f_{chN} indicate additional channels.</p> <p>FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, likely a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Data Processor (210): This block contains multiple parallel paths, each consisting of a digital filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n) followed by a multiplier (214a, 214b, ..., 214n). The outputs of these multipliers are summed at a central summation node (216). The summed signal then passes through a Post Processor (218) and a DAC (220).Digital Section: A dashed-line box encloses the Data Processor and the Post Processor/DAC path.RF Transmit Chain: A dashed-line box encloses the RF signal processing path. It starts with an LO Generator (226) providing a local oscillator frequency f_c to an Analog Lowpass Pass (222). The output of 222 is multiplied by f_c at 224, then processed by a VGA (228), a Bandpass Pass (230), and a PA (232). The PA's output is fed into a Duplexer (234), which also receives signals from the RF Receive Chain.RF Receive Chain: An external path indicated by a curved arrow labeled 200 enters the system and is processed by the Duplexer (234). The Duplexer then splits the signal into two paths: one going to a Bandpass Pass (230) and another going to a PA (232).Controller/Processor (240) and Memory (242): These components provide control and memory resources for the system, with bidirectional communication links to the Data Processor.FIG. 2: A caption identifying the diagram as Figure 2. <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

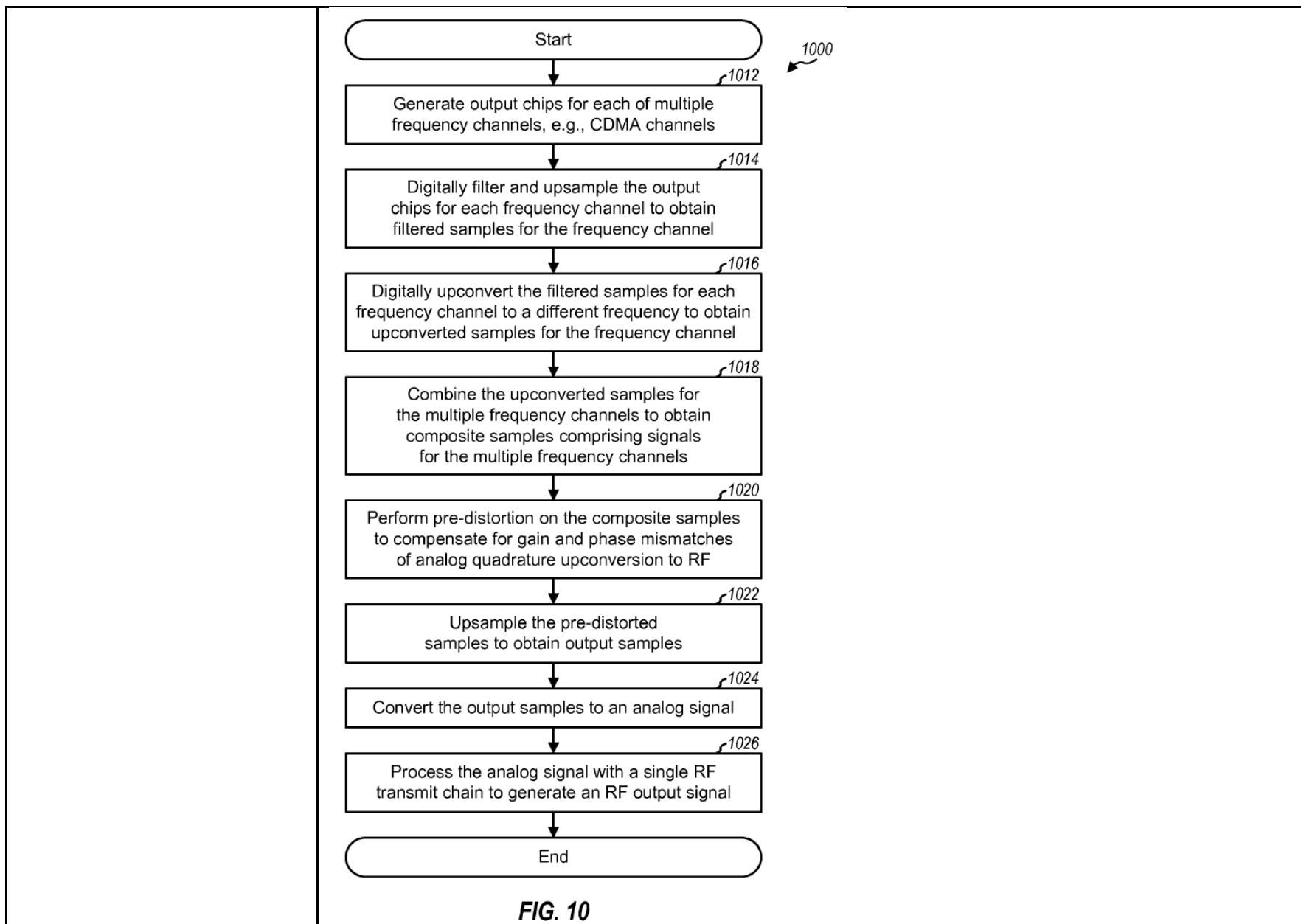


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[13.1] The method of claim 10	Rick discloses all the elements of claim 10 for all the reasons provided above.
[13.2] wherein the first digital signal is encoded using a first wireless protocol and the second digital signal is encoded using a second wireless protocol.	<p>Rick discloses “wherein the first digital signal is encoded using a first wireless protocol and the second digital signal is encoded using a second wireless protocol.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

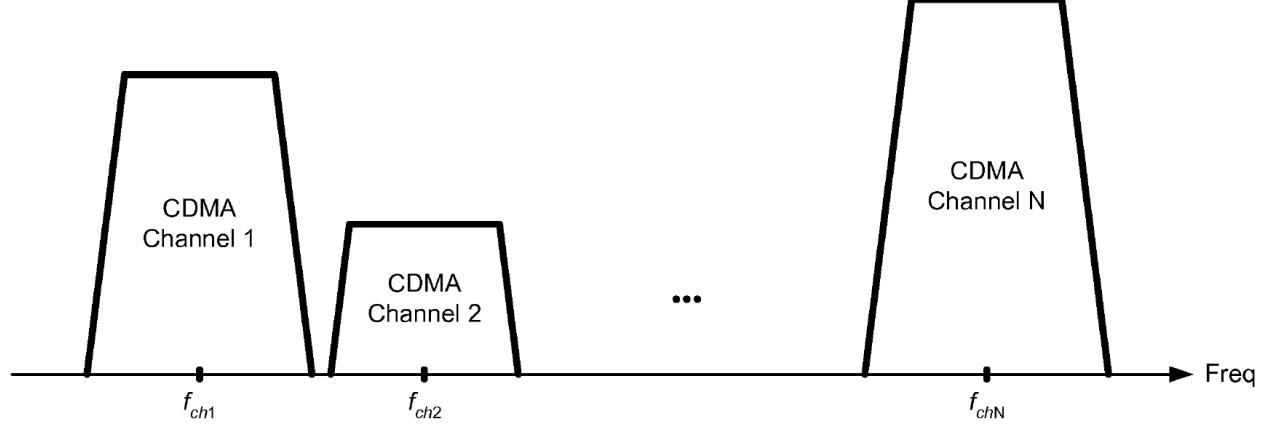
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	<p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:20-41.</i></p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may</p>

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	<p>combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:48-2:9.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 2:38-57.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless</p>

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	<p>modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p>

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	<p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal</p>

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	<p>from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal signals on a horizontal axis labeled "Freq". There are three labeled channels: "CDMA Channel 1" at the left end, "CDMA Channel 2" in the middle, and "CDMA Channel N" at the right end. Each channel is represented by a trapezoid. Vertical tick marks on the axis indicate the center frequencies of the channels, labeled f_{ch1}, f_{ch2}, and f_{chN}. Ellipses between the second and third channels indicate additional channels.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture. It is divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Data Processor (210): Contains multiple parallel paths, each consisting of a digital filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n) followed by a multiplier (214a, 214b, ..., 214n). The outputs of these multipliers are summed at a central summation node (216).Digital Section: This section includes a post processor (218) and a DAC (220), which converts the digital signal from the summation node into an analog signal.RF Transmit Chain: This section includes an LO Generator (226), an Analog Lowpass Pass (222), a mixer (224), a VGA (Variable Gain Amplifier), a Bandpass Pass (230), and a PA (Power Amplifier). The PA feeds into a Duplexer (234), which also receives signals from the RF Receive Chain.Controller/Processor (240) and Memory (242): These components provide control and memory resources for the system.Antenna (200): The final output of the system is directed to an antenna.RF Receive Chain: This section includes a duplexer (236) and a receiver block (232). <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

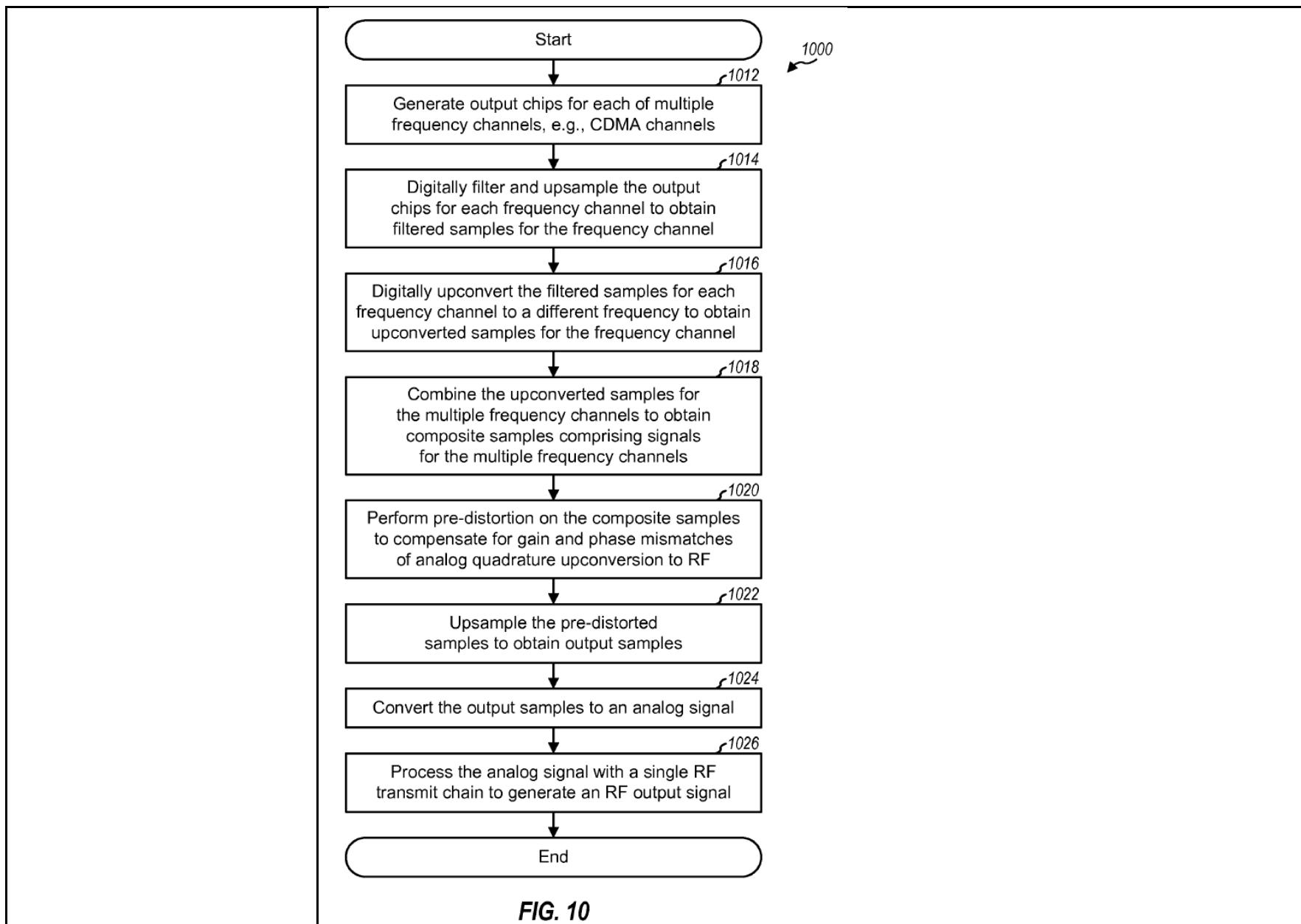


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
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[14.1] The method of claim 10	Rick discloses all the elements of claim 10 for all the reasons provided above.
[14.2] wherein the second data is the same as the first data, the method further comprising:	<p>Rick discloses “wherein the second data is the same as the first data, the method further comprising.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1277 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 832 971 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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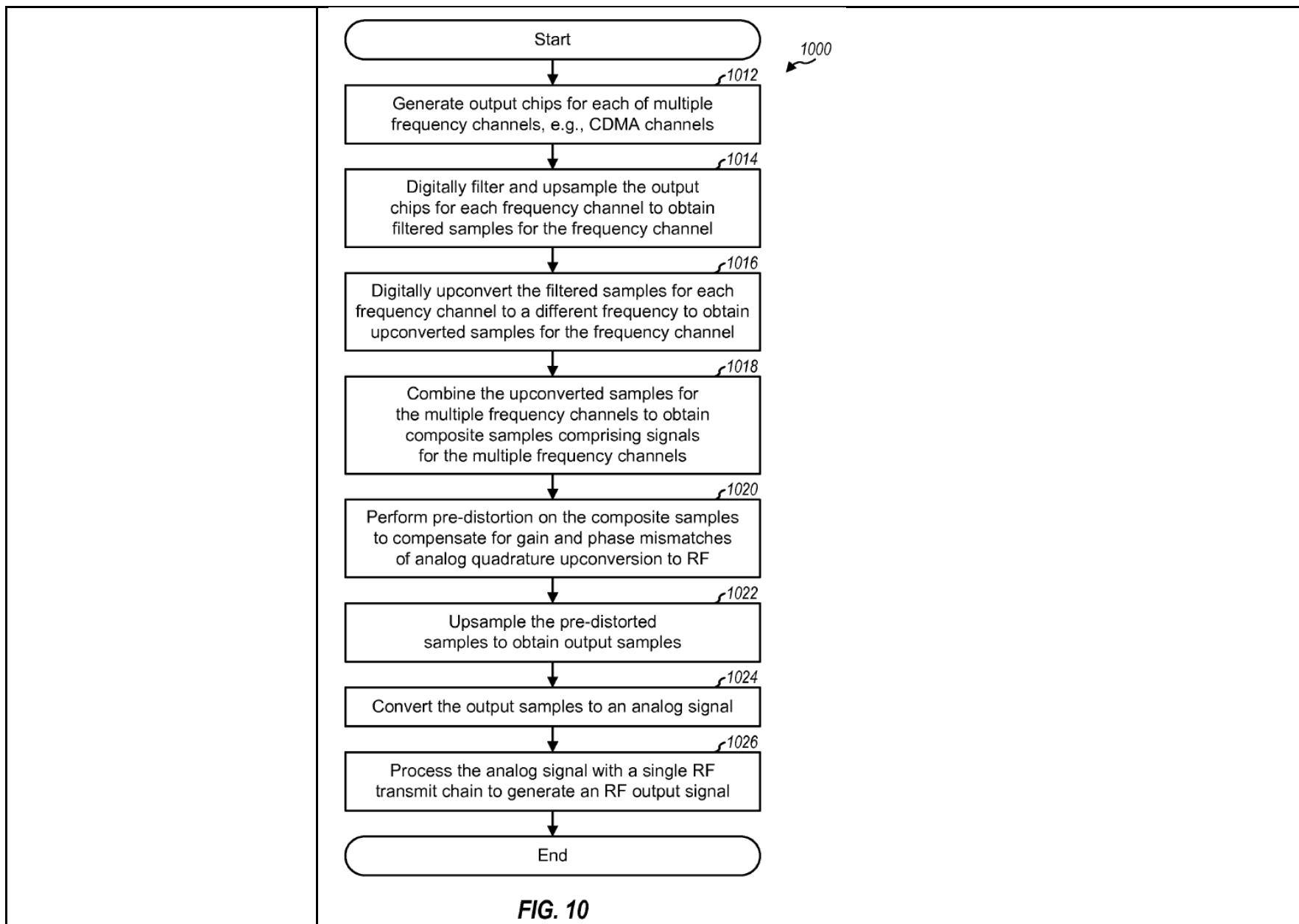


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[14.3] receiving the transmitted signal on a second antenna;	<p>Rick discloses “receiving the transmitted signal on a second antenna.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time</p>

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	<p>Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog</p>

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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	<p>for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a</p>

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	<p>filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier</p>

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	<p>(PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:61-4:67.</p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 5:24-30.</p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1288 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 832 982 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture. It is divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Data Processor (210): Contains multiple parallel paths, each consisting of a digital filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n) followed by a multiplier (214a, 214b, ..., 214n). The outputs of these multipliers are summed at a central summation node (216).Digital Section: This section includes a post processor (218) and a DAC (220), which converts the digital signal from the summation node into an analog signal.RF Transmit Chain: This section includes an LO Generator (226), an Analog Lowpass Pass (222), a mixer (224), a VGA (Variable Gain Amplifier), a Bandpass Pass (230), and a PA (Power Amplifier). The PA feeds into a Duplexer (234), which also receives signals from the RF Receive Chain.Controller/Processor (240) and Memory (242): These components provide control and memory resources for the system.Antenna (200): The final output of the system is directed to an antenna.RF Receive Chain: This section includes a duplexer (236) and a receiver block (232). <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

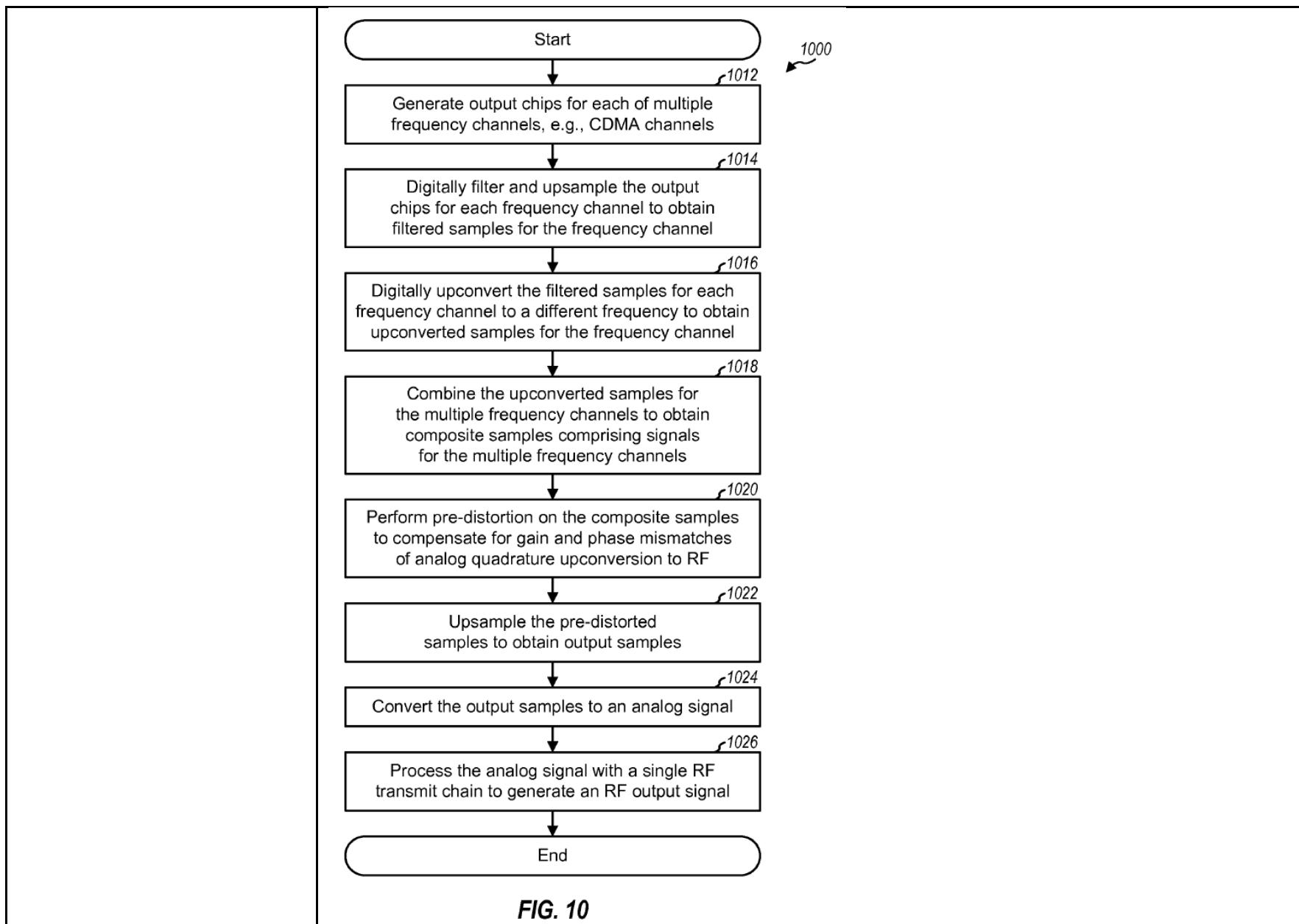


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
[14.4] amplifying the received signal in a low noise amplifier resulting in an amplified received up-converted signal, wherein the bandwidth of said low noise amplifier is greater than the difference between the lowest frequency in the first up-converted frequency range and the highest frequency in the second up-converted frequency range;	<p>Rick discloses “amplifying the received signal in a low noise amplifier resulting in an amplified received up-converted signal, wherein the bandwidth of said low noise amplifier is greater than the difference between the lowest frequency in the first up-converted frequency range and the highest frequency in the second up-converted frequency range.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access</p>

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	<p>systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:20-41.</i></p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output</p>

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	<p>samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p>

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	<p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system.</p>

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	<p>Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal</p>

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	<p>from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, likely a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Data Processor (210): This block contains multiple parallel paths, each consisting of a digital filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n) followed by a multiplier (214a, 214b, ..., 214n). The outputs of these multipliers are summed at a central summation node (216). The summed signal is then processed by a Post Processor (218) and a DAC (220).Digital Section: A dashed-line box encloses the Data Processor and the Post Processor/DAC path.RF Transmit Chain: A dashed-line box encloses the RF signal path. It starts with an LO Generator (226) providing a local oscillator frequency f_c to an Analog Lowpass Pass (222). The output of 222 is multiplied by f_c at 224, then passes through a VGA (228), a Bandpass Pass (230), and a PA (232) before being transmitted via a Duplexer (234) to the RF Receive Chain.Controller/Processor (240) and Memory (242): These components provide control and memory resources for the system, with bidirectional communication links to the Data Processor.Antenna: The transmitted signal exits through a horn antenna (236).RF Receive Chain: The received signal is processed by the Duplexer (234) and then enters the RF Receive Chain. <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

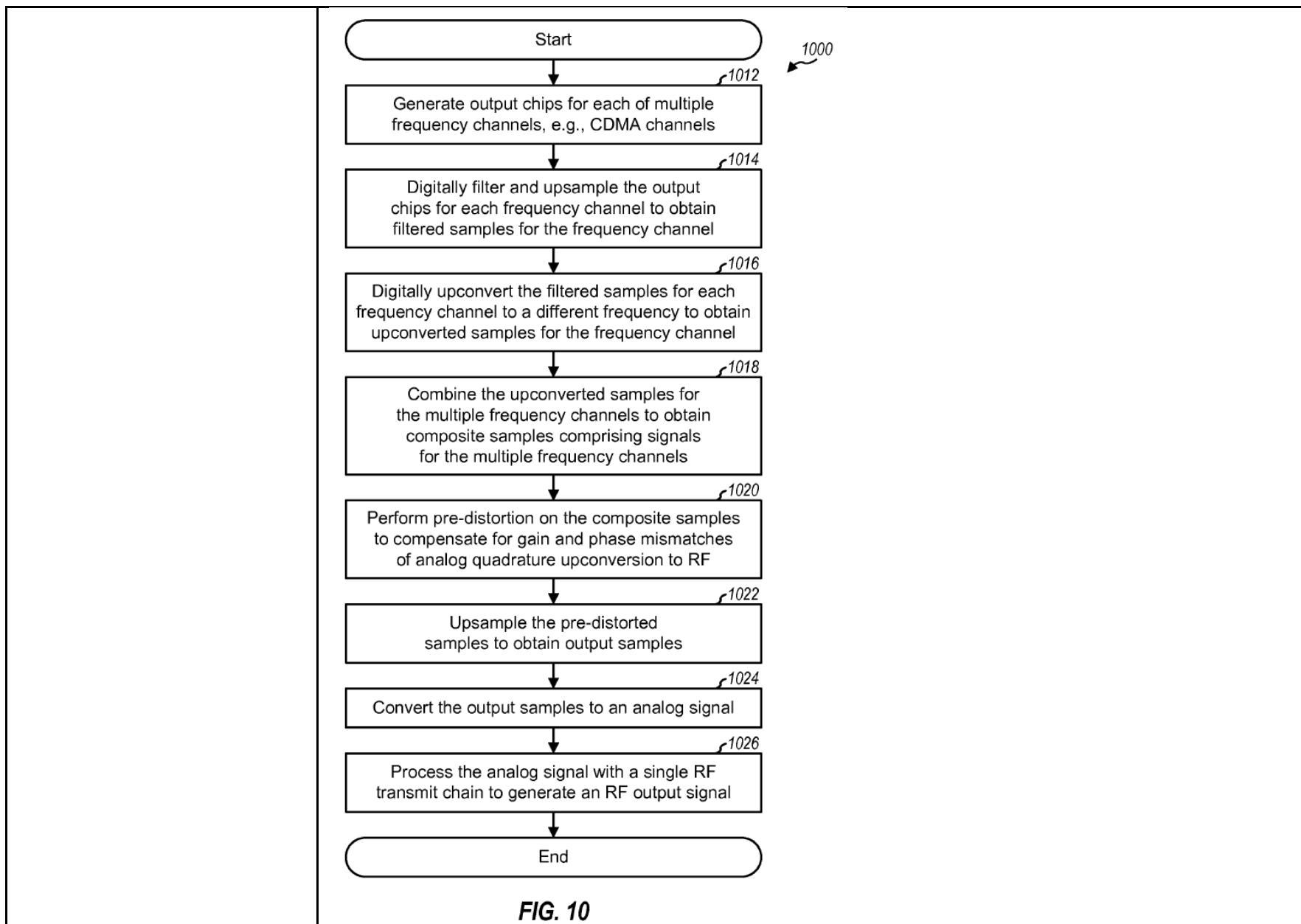


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[14.5] down-converting the amplified received up-converted signal using a first down-converter and a signal corresponding to the first RF center frequency to produce a fourth analog signal corresponding to the first analog signal; and	<p>Rick discloses “down-converting the amplified received up-converted signal using a first down-converter and a signal corresponding to the first RF center frequency to produce a fourth analog signal corresponding to the first analog signal.” See, <i>e.g.</i>:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of</p>

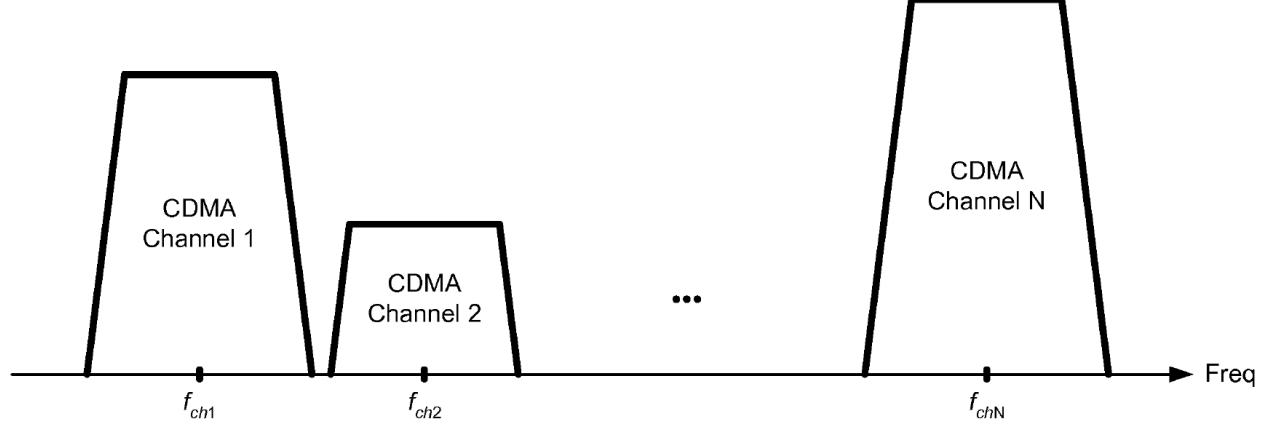
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	<p>such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog</p>

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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	<p>for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a</p>

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	<p>filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier</p>

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	<p>(PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:61-4:67.</p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 5:24-30.</p>

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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels represented as trapezoidal signals on a horizontal axis labeled "Freq". There are three labeled channels: "CDMA Channel 1" at the left end, "CDMA Channel 2" in the middle, and "CDMA Channel N" at the right end. Each channel is defined by two vertical dashed lines indicating its bandwidth boundaries. The center of each channel is marked with a small black dot and labeled f_{ch1}, f_{ch2}, and f_{chN} respectively. Ellipses between the second and third channels indicate the presence of additional channels.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture. It is divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section: This block contains a Data Processor (210) which includes multiple parallel paths. Each path consists of a Digital Filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n), followed by a mixer (214a, 214b, ..., 214n) with local oscillator frequencies f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N, and finally a summation node (Σ) (216). The outputs of the summation nodes are fed into a Post Processor (218) and then a DAC (220).RF Transmit Chain: This block includes an LO Generator (226) providing a local oscillator frequency f_c to an Analog Lowpass Pass (222). The output of the lowpass filter is mixed with the signal from the post processor via a mixer (224) and then passes through a VGA (228). The signal then goes through a Bandpass Pass (230), a PA (Power Amplifier) (232), and a Duplexer (234) to an antenna (236). The duplexer also has a connection to the RF Receive Chain.Controller/Processor and Memory: A Controller/Processor (240) is connected to the Data Processor (210) and the Memory (242). The Memory (242) provides data to the Data Processor (210).Antennas: The system includes an Antenna (200) for the RF Receive Chain and an Antenna (204) for the RF Transmit Chain. <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

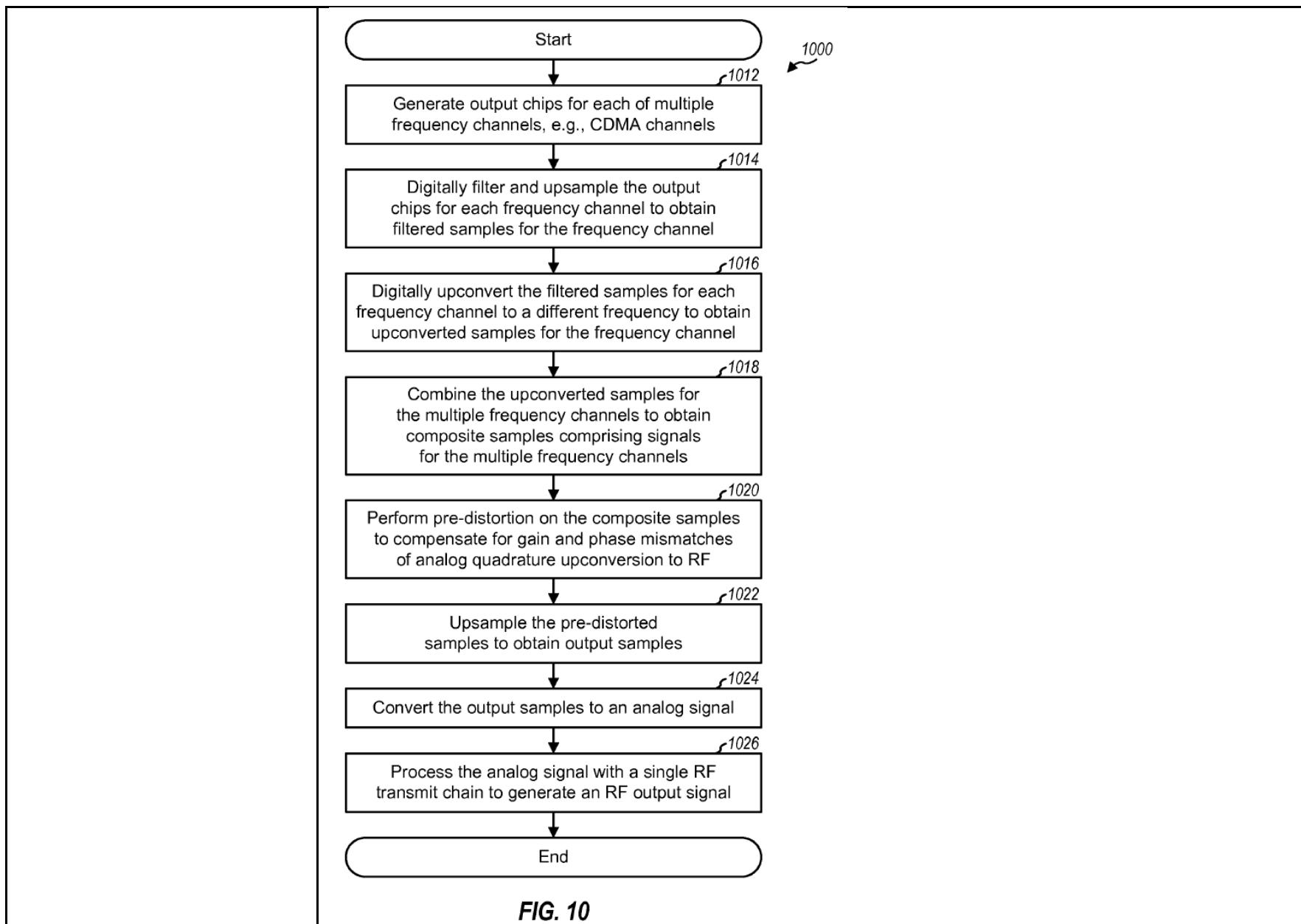


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
[14.6] down-converting the amplified received up-converted analog signal using a second down-converter and a signal corresponding to the second RF center frequency to produce a fifth analog signal corresponding to the second analog signal.	<p>Rick discloses “down-converting the amplified received up-converted analog signal using a second down-converter and a signal corresponding to the second RF center frequency to produce a fifth analog signal corresponding to the second analog signal.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of</p>

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	<p>such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog</p>

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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	<p>for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a</p>

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	<p>filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier</p>

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	<p>(PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:61-4:67.</p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 5:24-30.</p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1277 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 832 971 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture. It is divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Data Processor (210): Contains multiple parallel paths, each consisting of a digital filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n) followed by a multiplier (214a, 214b, ..., 214n). The outputs of these multipliers are summed at a central summation node (216).Digital Section: This section includes a post processor (218) and a DAC (220), which converts the digital signal from the summation node into an analog signal.RF Transmit Chain: This section includes an LO Generator (226), an Analog Lowpass Pass (222), a mixer (224), a VGA (Variable Gain Amplifier) (228), a Bandpass Pass (230), and a PA (Power Amplifier) (232). The PA feeds into a Duplexer (234), which also receives signals from the RF Receive Chain.Controller/Processor (240) and Memory (242): These components provide control and memory resources for the system.Antenna (200): The final output of the system is directed to an antenna.RF Receive Chain: This section is indicated by an arrow pointing to the Duplexer (234). <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

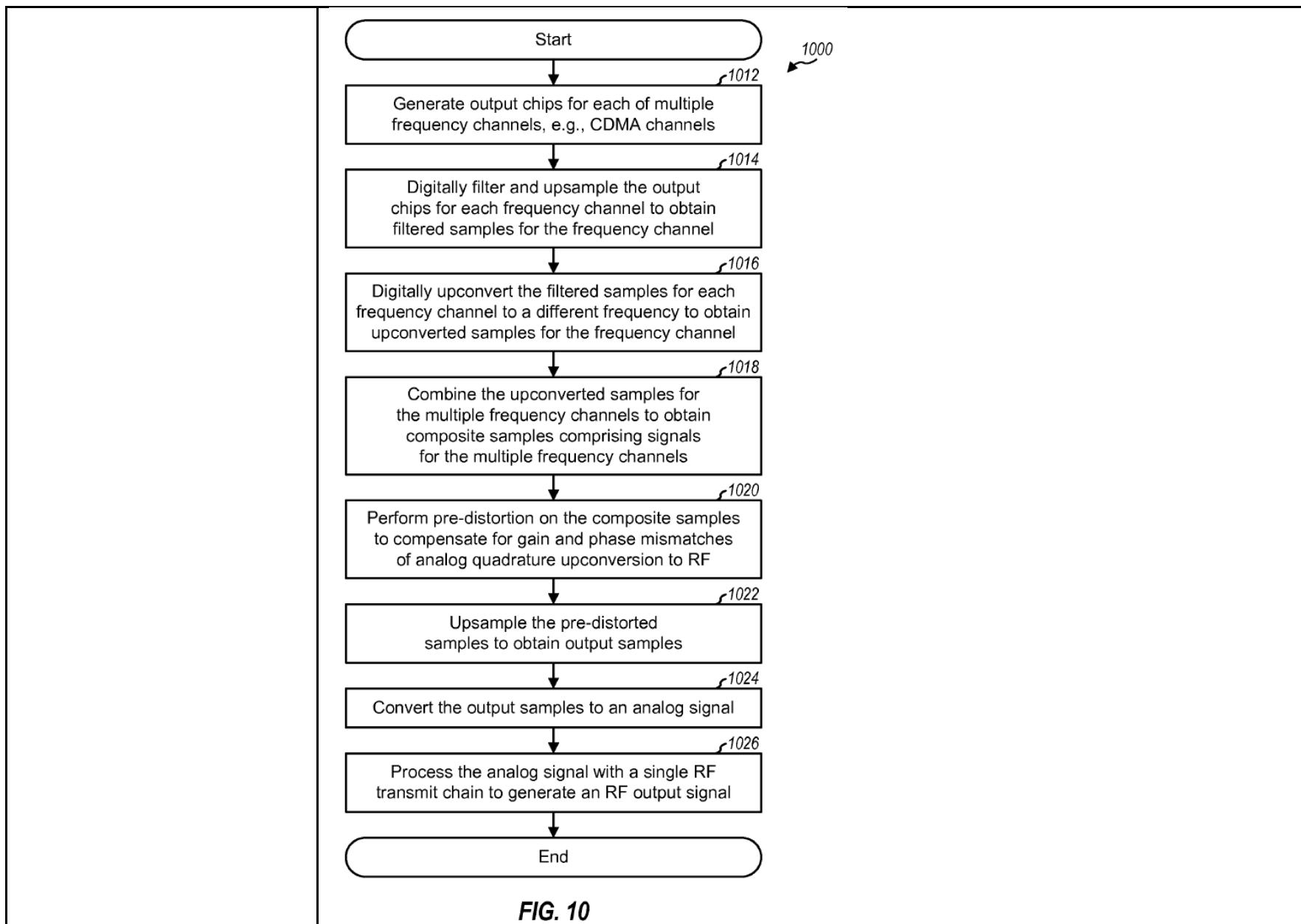


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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>

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[17.1] A wireless communication system comprising:	<p>To the extent the preamble is limiting, Rick discloses “A wireless communication system comprising.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

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[17.2] a baseband digital system for providing a first digital signal comprising a first data to be transmitted and a second digital signal comprising a second data to be transmitted;	<p>Rick discloses “a baseband digital system for providing a first digital signal comprising a first data to be transmitted and a second digital signal comprising a second data to be transmitted.” See, e.g.: A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal. <i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at Abstract. Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p>

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	<p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p>

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p>

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	<p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable</p>

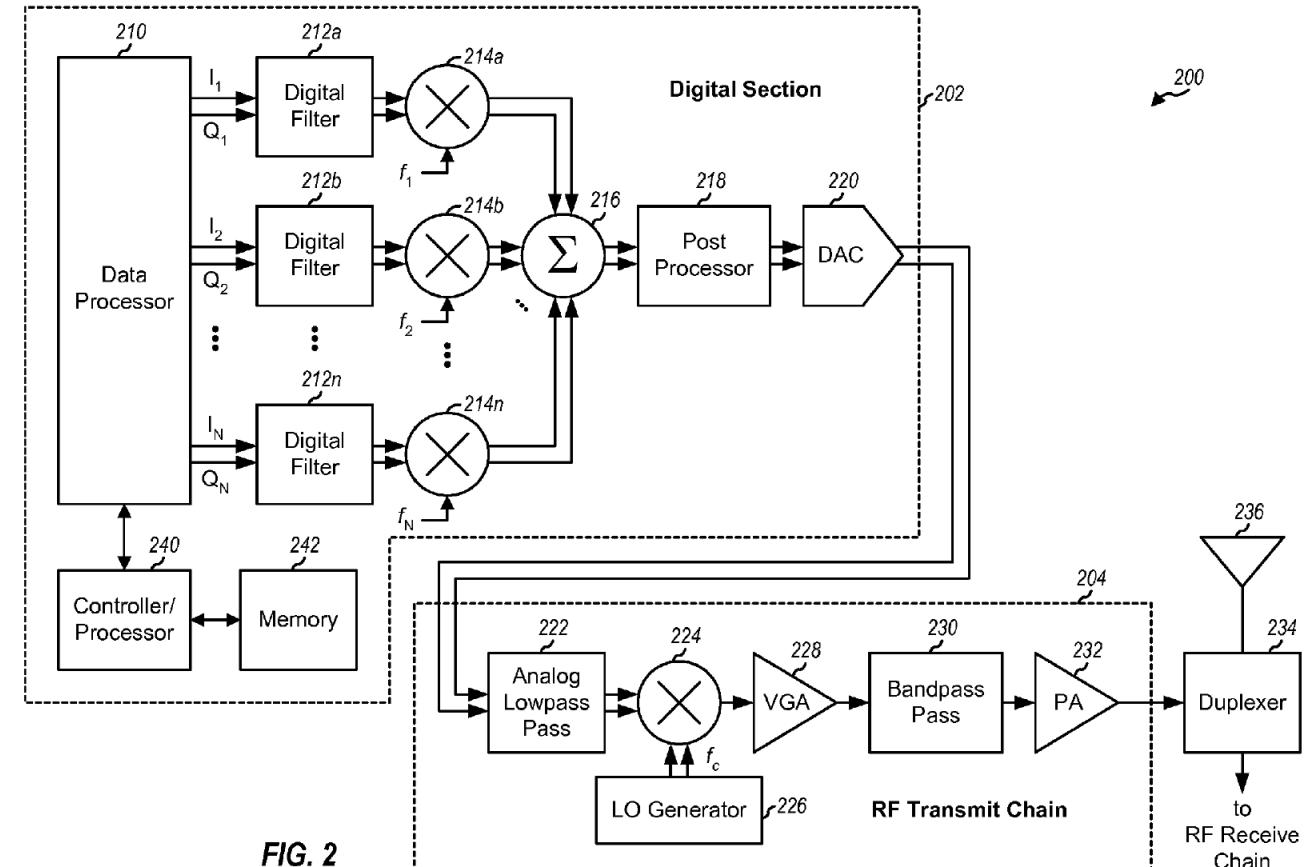
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	<p>and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna</p>

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	<p>236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1199 750 1288 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 832 982 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.

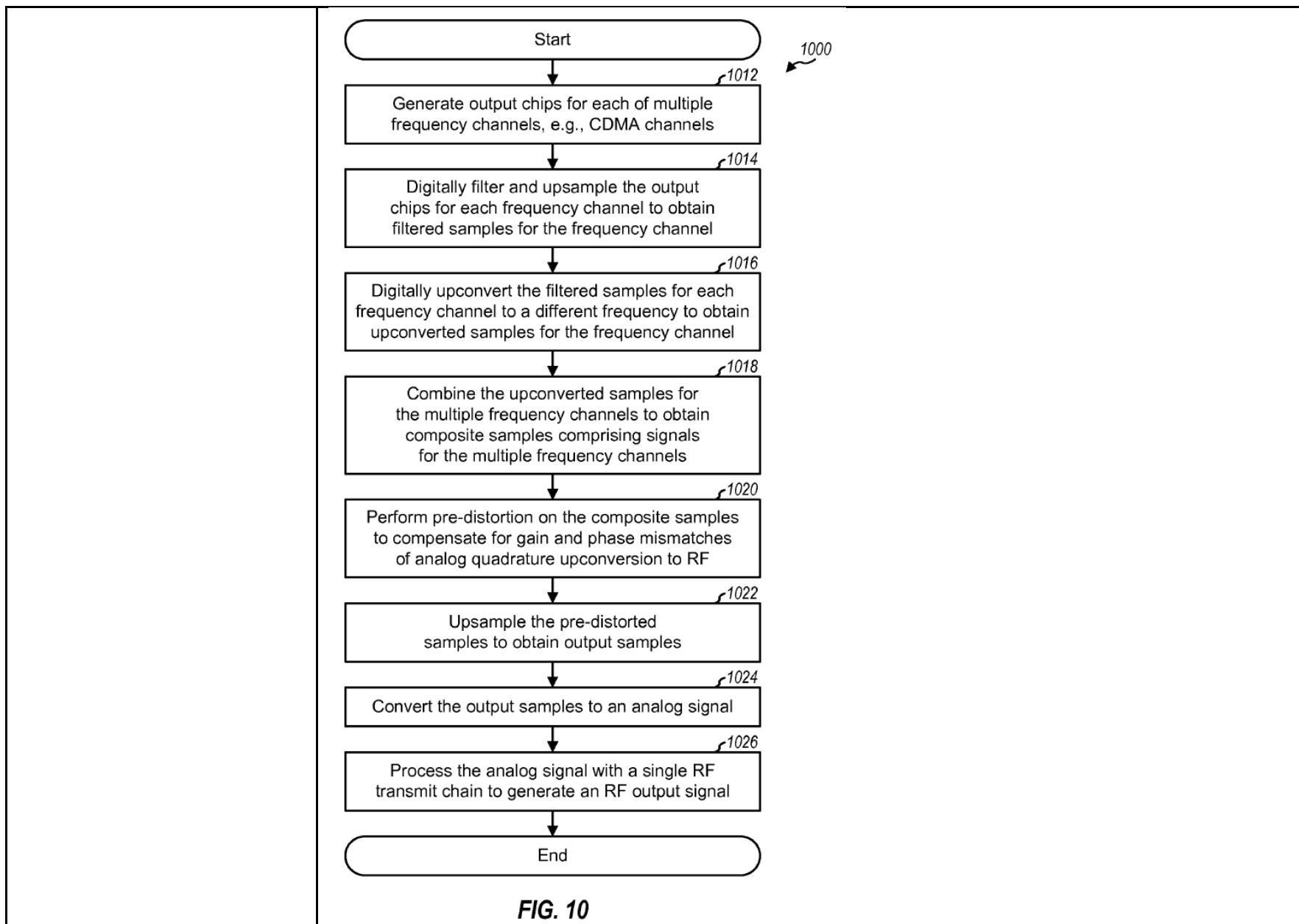


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
[17.3] a first digital-to-analog converter for receiving the first digital signal and converting the first digital signal into a first analog signal, the first analog signal carrying the first data across a first frequency range;	<p>Rick discloses “a first digital-to-analog converter for receiving the first digital signal and converting the first digital signal into a first analog signal, the first analog signal carrying the first data across a first frequency range.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of</p>

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	<p>such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:20-41.</i></p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog</p>

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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	<p>for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a</p>

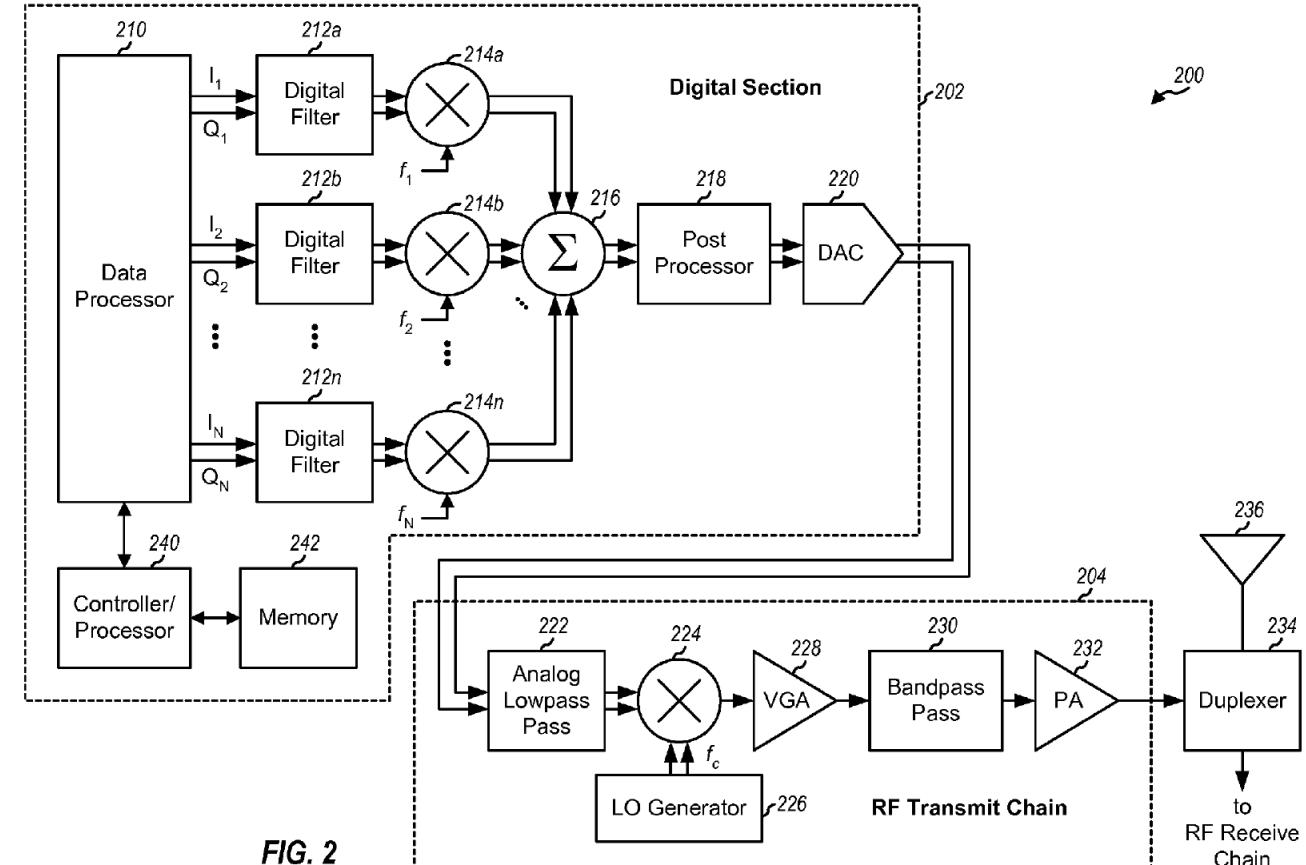
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	<p>filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier</p>

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	<p>(PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:61-4:67.</p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 5:24-30.</p>

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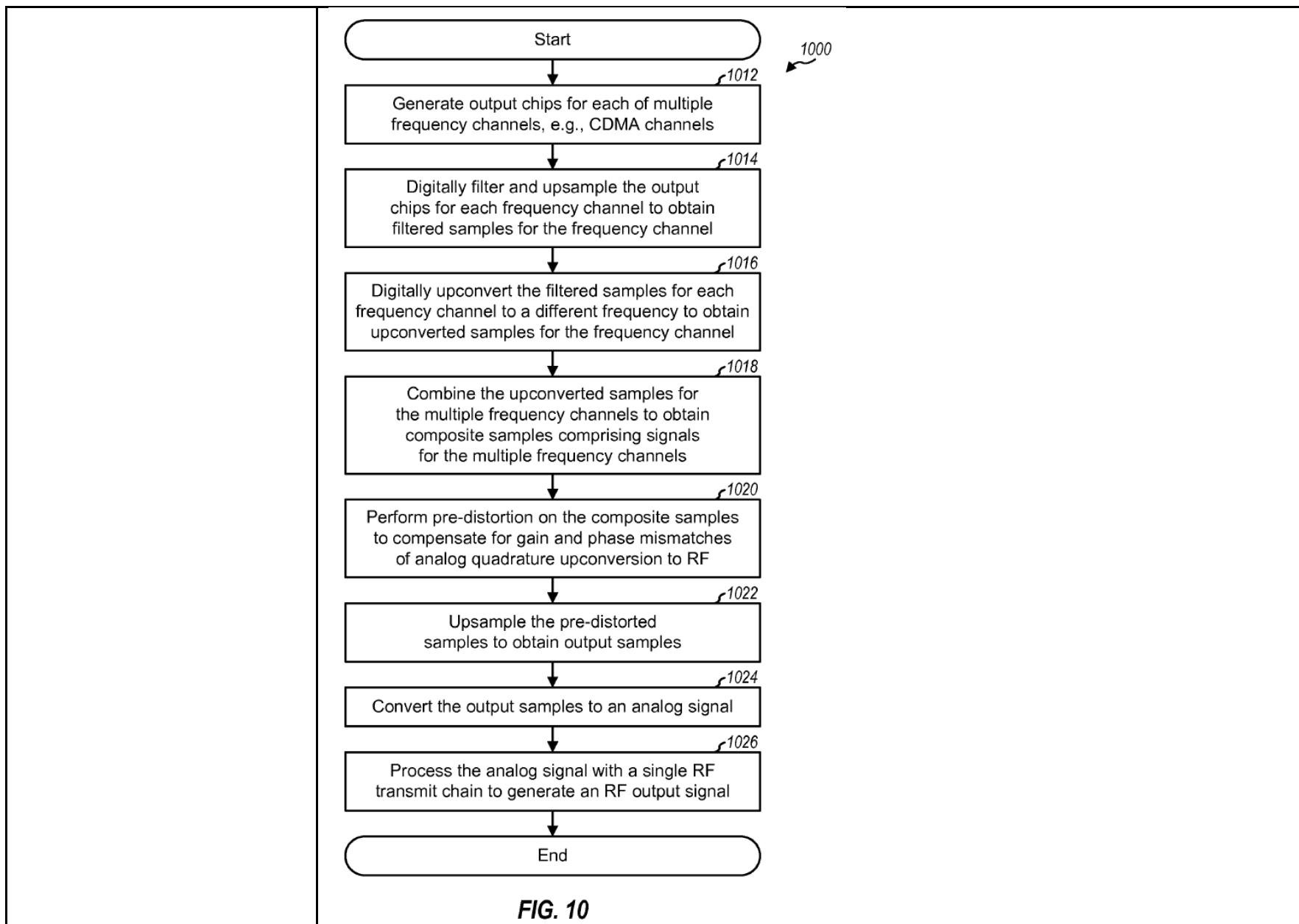


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[17.4] a second digital-to-analog converter for receiving the second digital signal and converting the second digital signal into a second analog signal, the second analog signal carrying the second data across a second frequency range;	<p>Rick discloses “a second digital-to-analog converter for receiving the second digital signal and converting the second digital signal into a second analog signal, the second analog signal carrying the second data across a second frequency range.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of</p>

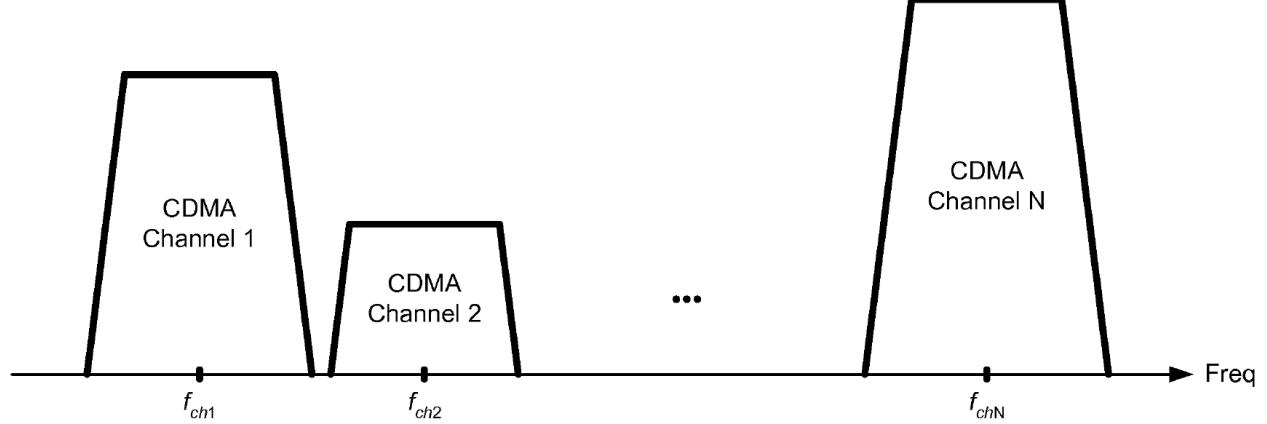
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	<p>such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:20-41.</i></p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog</p>

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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	<p>for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a</p>

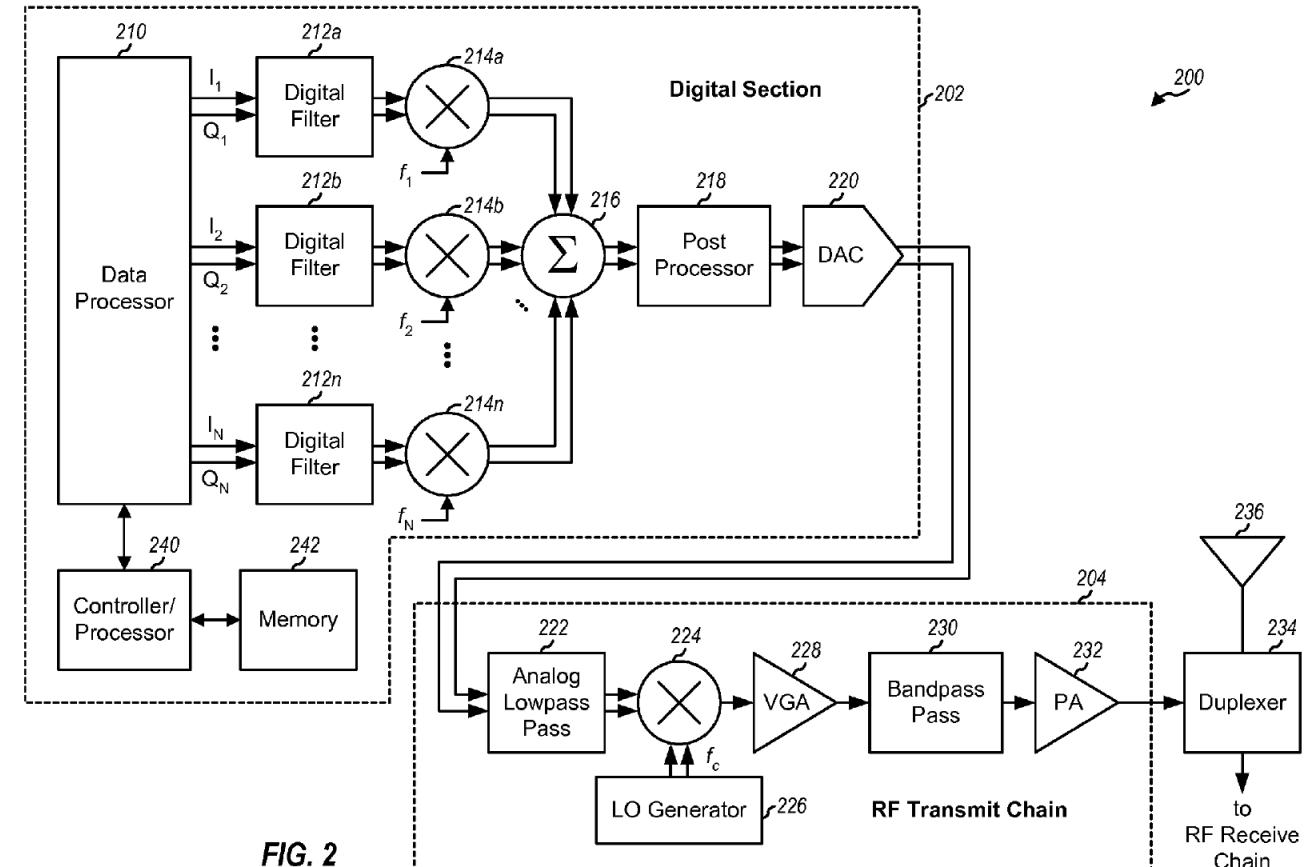
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	<p>filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier</p>

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	<p>(PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:61-4:67.</p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 5:24-30.</p>

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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal signals on a horizontal axis labeled "Freq". There are three labeled channels: "CDMA Channel 1" at the left end, "CDMA Channel 2" in the middle, and "CDMA Channel N" at the right end. Each channel is represented by a trapezoid. Vertical tick marks on the axis indicate the center frequencies of the channels, labeled f_{ch1}, f_{ch2}, and f_{chN}. Ellipses between the second and third channels indicate additional channels.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.

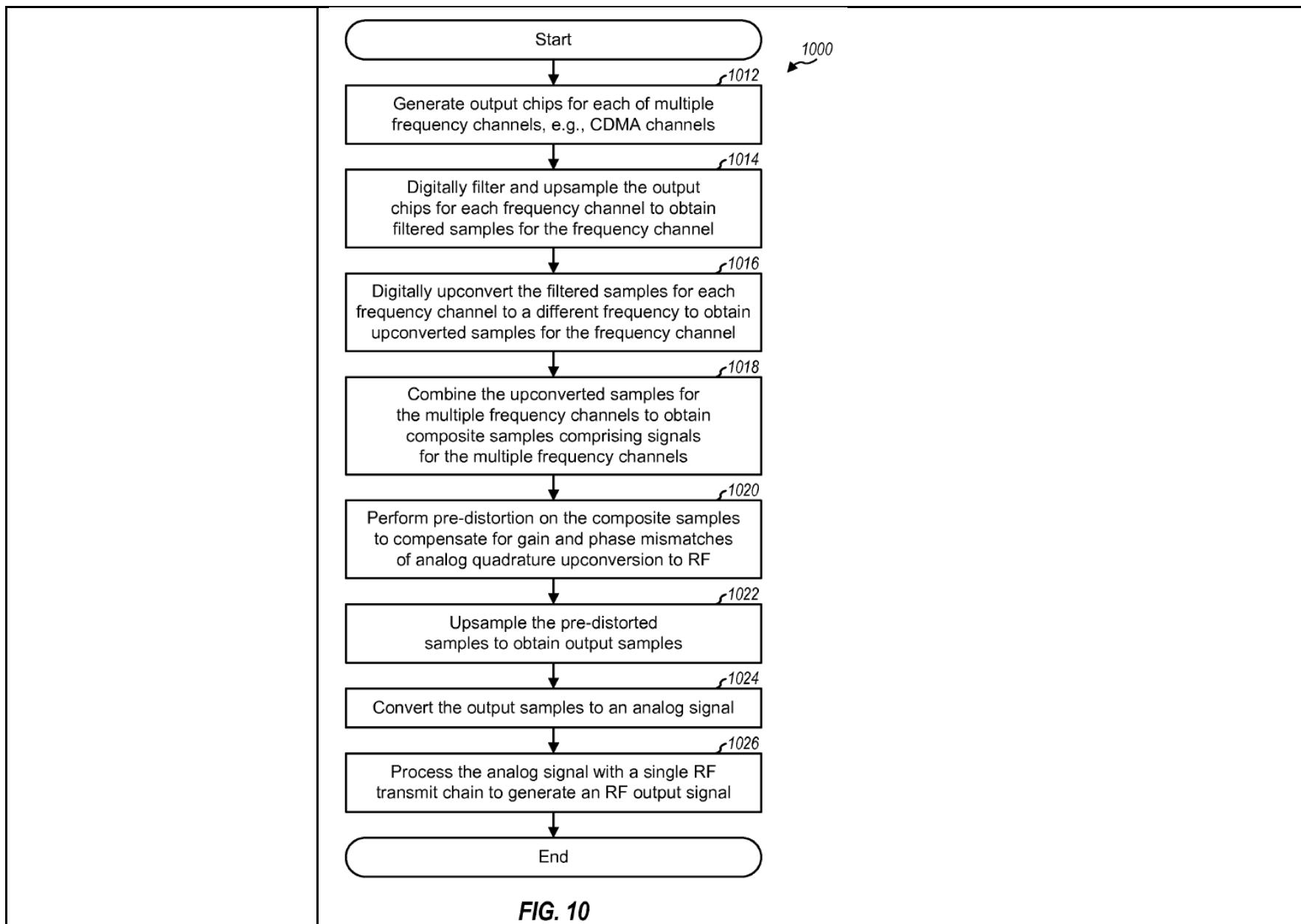


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
[17.5] a first up-converter circuit having a first input coupled to receive the first analog signal and a second input coupled to receive a first modulation signal having a first RF frequency, wherein the first up-converter outputs a first up-converted analog signal comprising a first up-converted frequency range from the first RF frequency minus one-half the first frequency range to the first RF frequency plus one-half the first frequency range;	<p>Rick discloses “a first up-converter circuit having a first input coupled to receive the first analog signal and a second input coupled to receive a first modulation signal having a first RF frequency, wherein the first up-converter outputs a first up-converted analog signal comprising a first up-converted frequency range from the first RF frequency minus one-half the first frequency range to the first RF frequency plus one-half the first frequency range.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

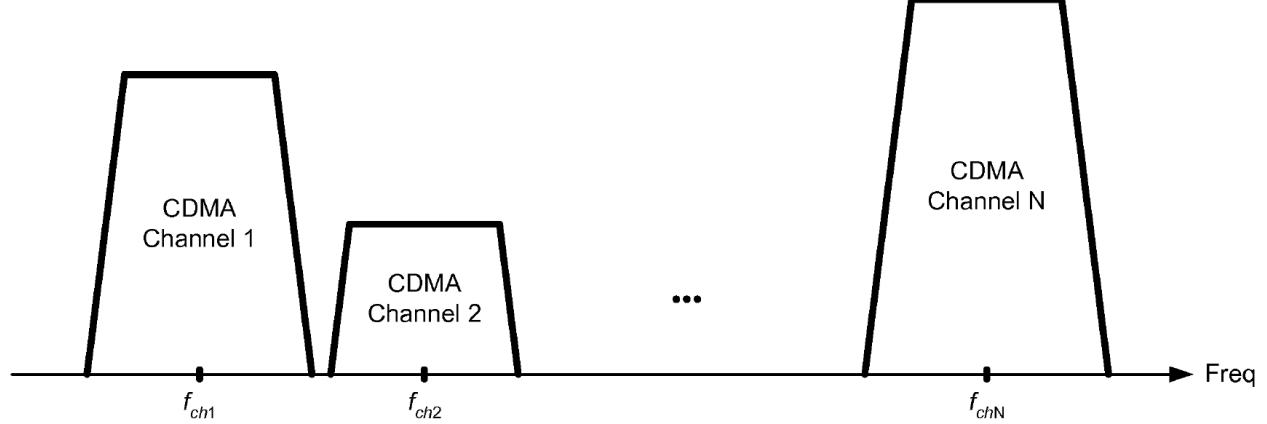
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	<p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:20-41.</i></p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples,</p>

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	<p>perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p>

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	<p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is</p>

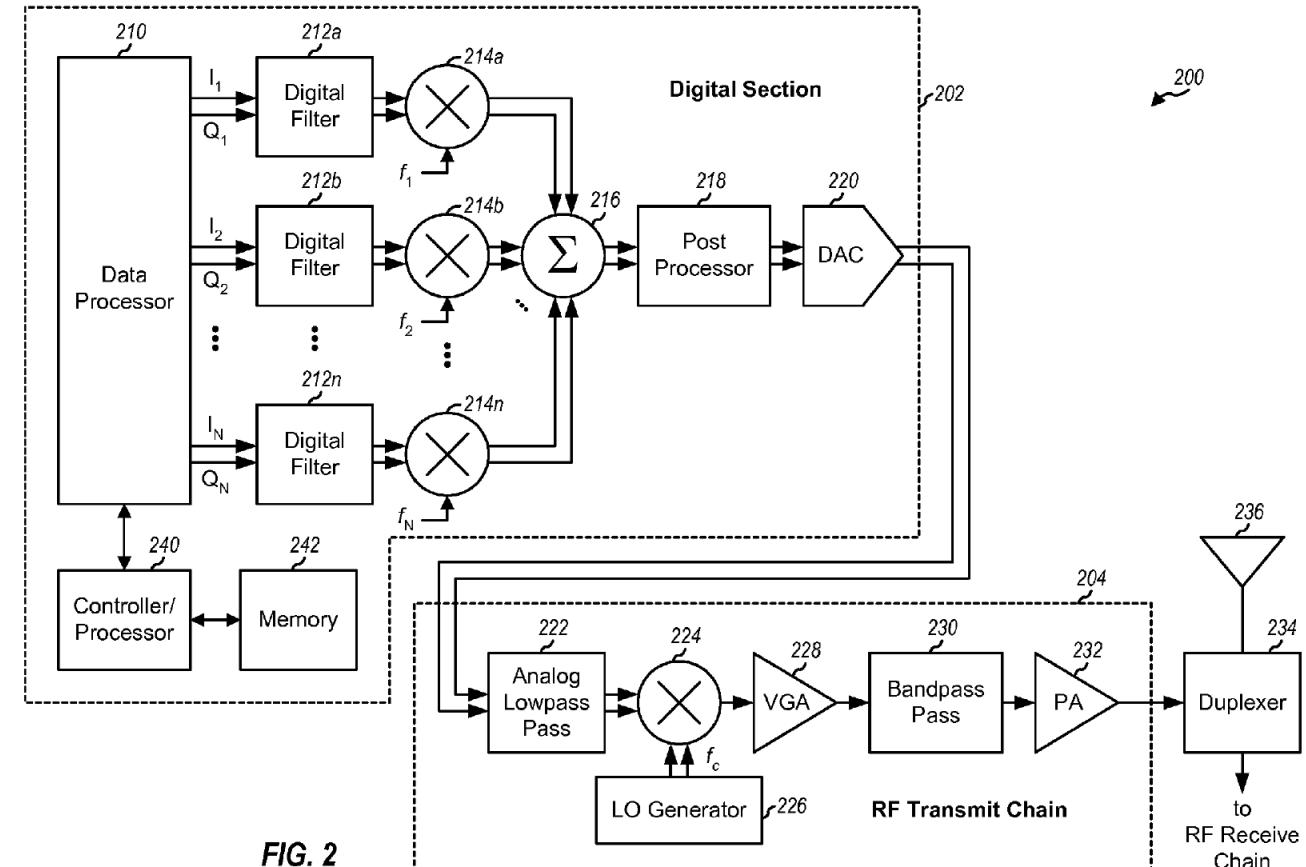
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	<p>typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies</p>

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	<p>the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal pulses on a frequency axis. A horizontal axis is labeled "Freq" at the right end. There are three distinct channels labeled "CDMA Channel 1", "CDMA Channel 2", and "CDMA Channel N". Each channel is represented by a trapezoid. The first channel starts at frequency f_{ch1}, the second at f_{ch2}, and the Nth at f_{chN}. Ellipses between the second and Nth channels indicate intermediate channels.</p> <p>FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.

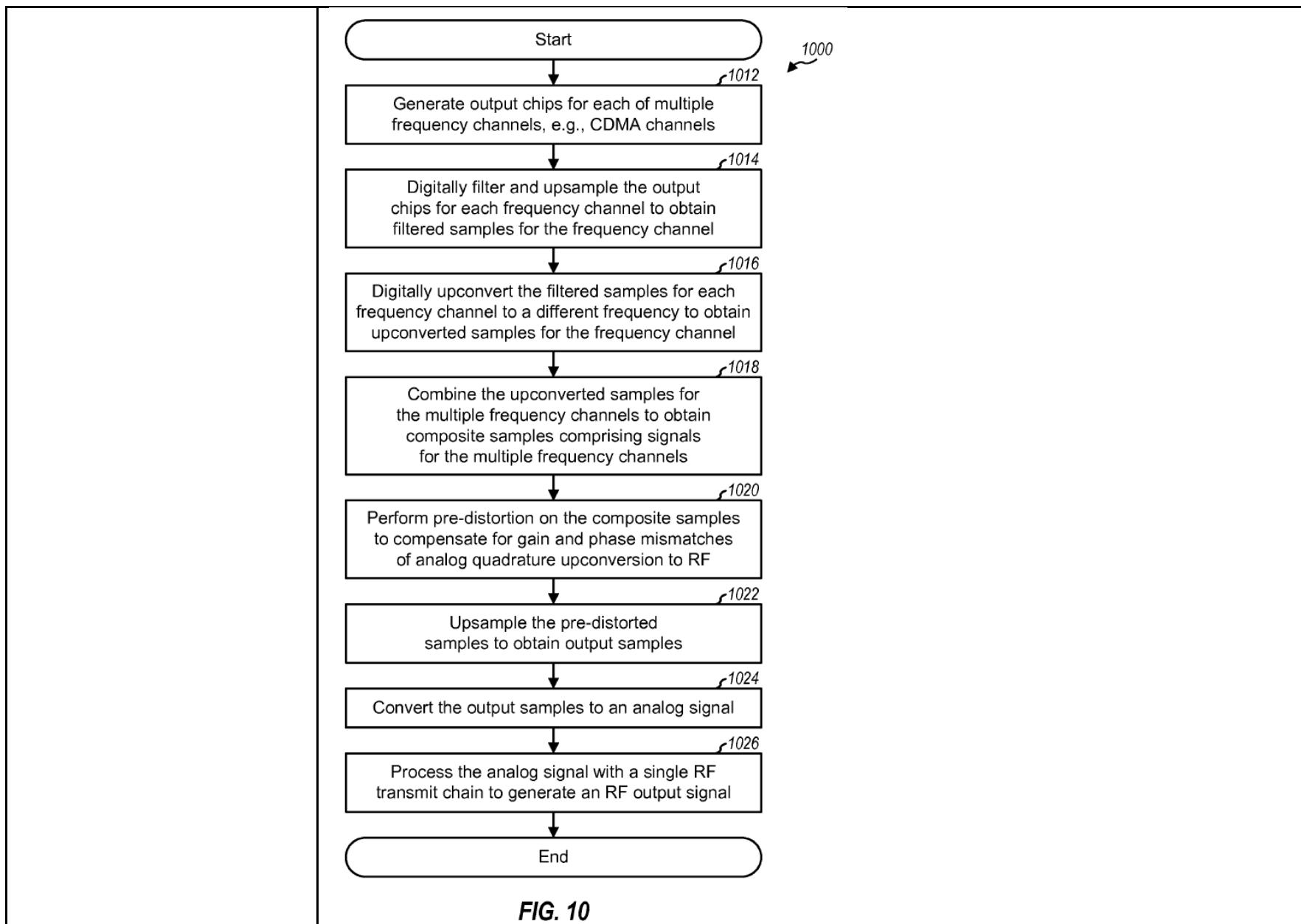


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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
<p>[17.6] a second up-converter circuit having a first input coupled to receive the second analog signal and a second input coupled to receive a second modulation signal having a second RF frequency, wherein the second up-converter outputs a second up-converted analog signal comprising a second up-converted frequency range from the second RF frequency minus one-half the second frequency range to the second RF frequency plus one-half the second frequency range, and wherein frequency difference between the first RF frequency and the second RF frequency is greater than</p>	<p>Rick discloses “a second up-converter circuit having a first input coupled to receive the second analog signal and a second input coupled to receive a second modulation signal having a second RF frequency, wherein the second up-converter outputs a second up-converted analog signal comprising a second up-converted frequency range from the second RF frequency minus one-half the second frequency range to the second RF frequency plus one-half the second frequency range, and wherein frequency difference between the first RF frequency and the second RF frequency is greater than the sum of one-half the first frequency range and one-half the second frequency range.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

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<p>the sum of one-half the first frequency range and one-half the second frequency range; and</p>	<p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may</p>

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	<p>combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:48-2:9.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 2:38-57.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless</p>

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	<p>modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p>

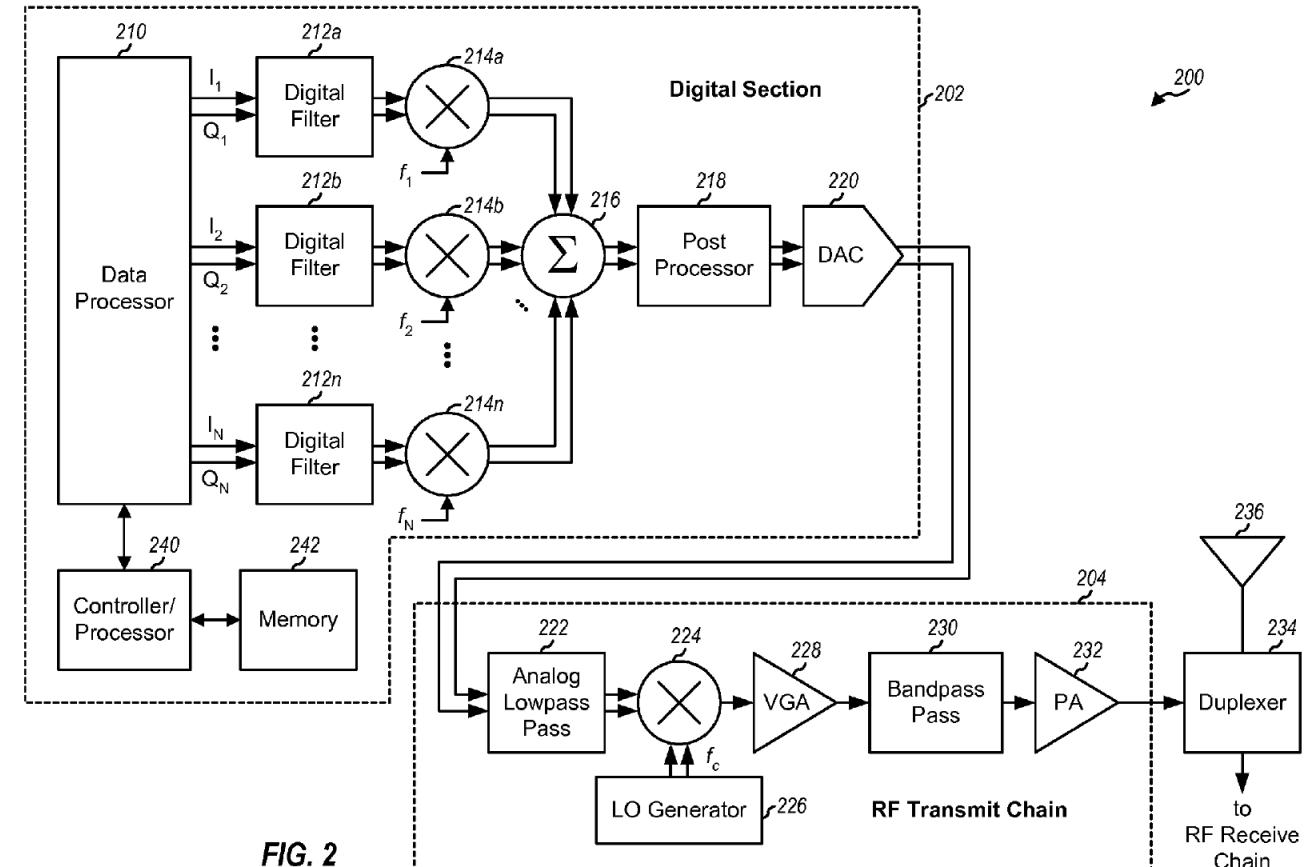
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	<p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal</p>

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	<p>from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1288 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 832 982 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.

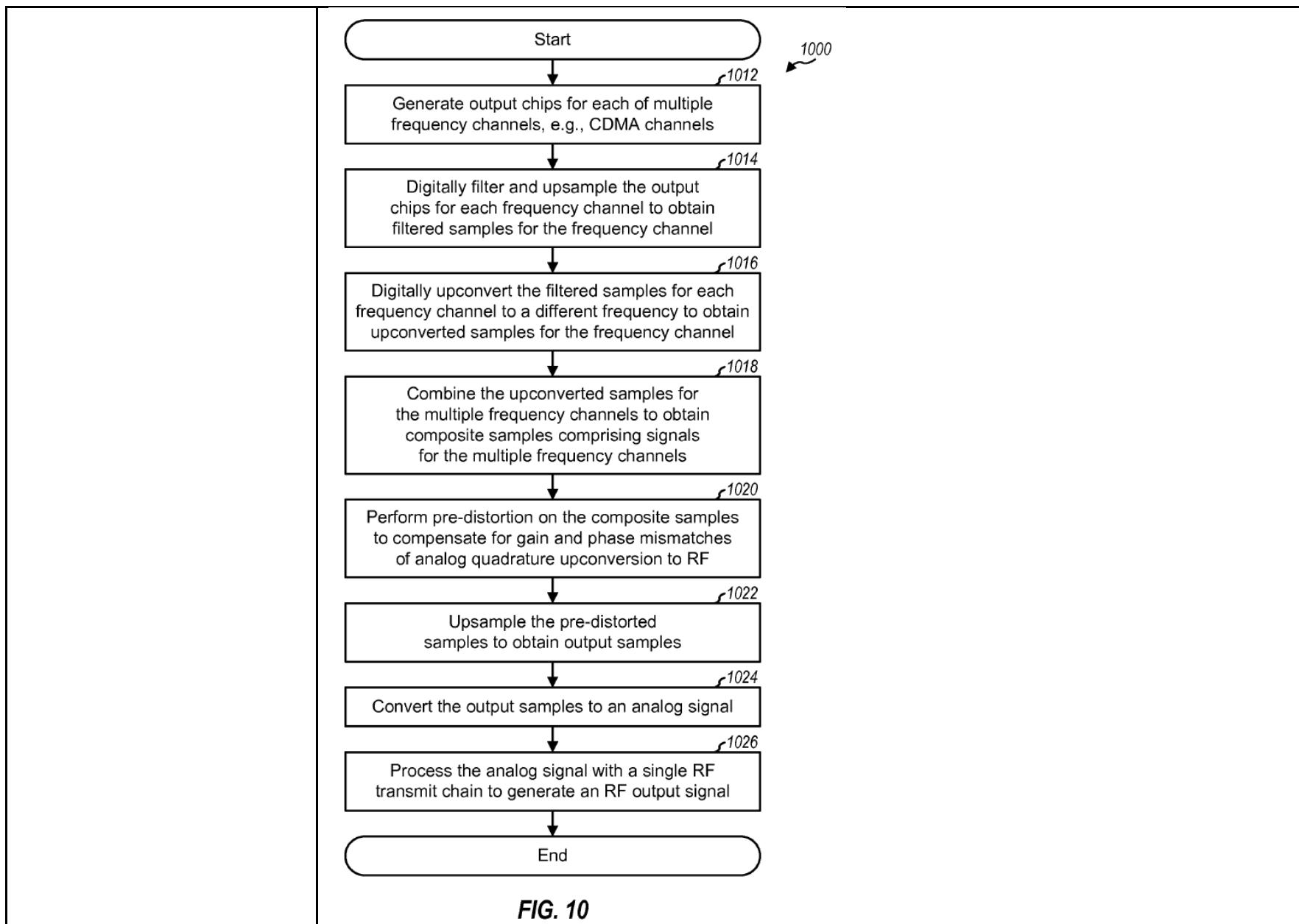


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
<p>[17.7] a power amplifier coupled to receive the first and second up-converted analog signals, wherein the bandwidth of the power amplifier is greater than the difference between a lowest frequency in the first up-converted frequency range and a highest frequency in the second up-converted frequency range.</p>	<p>Rick discloses “a power amplifier coupled to receive the first and second up-converted analog signals, wherein the bandwidth of the power amplifier is greater than the difference between a lowest frequency in the first up-converted frequency range and a highest frequency in the second up-converted frequency range.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access</p>

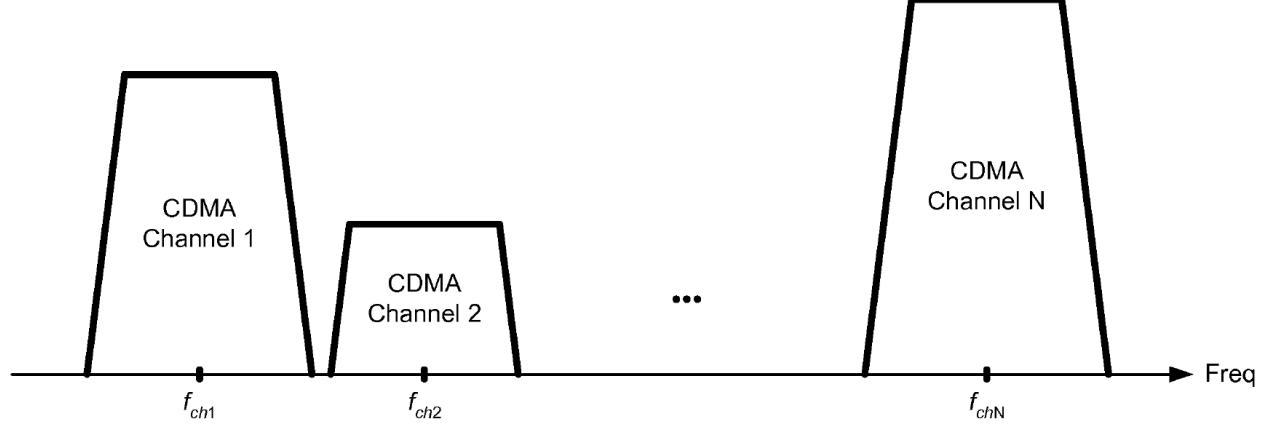
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	<p>systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:20-41.</i></p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output</p>

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	<p>samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p>

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	<p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system.</p>

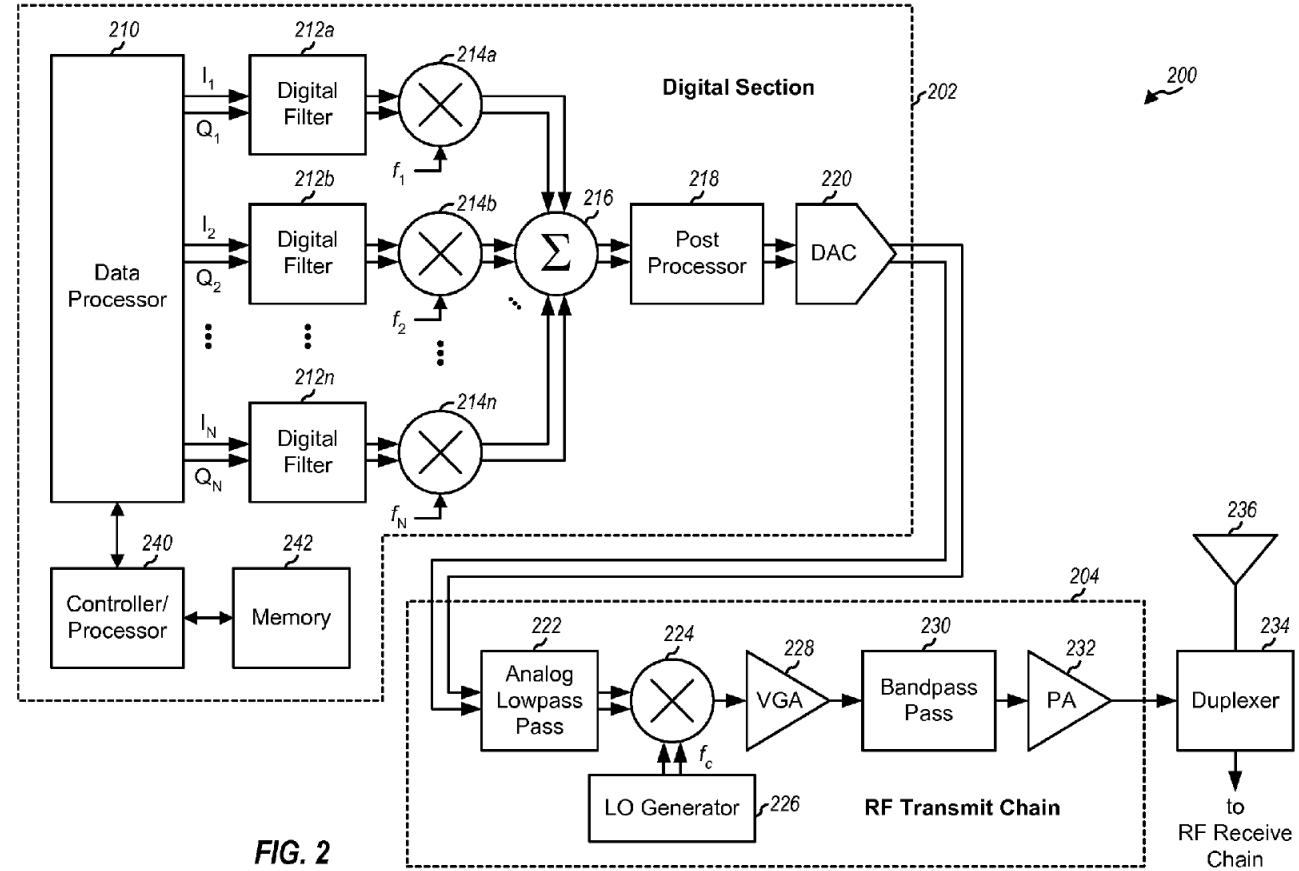
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	<p>Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal</p>

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	<p>from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal pulses on a frequency axis. A horizontal axis is labeled "Freq" at the right end. There are three distinct channels labeled "CDMA Channel 1", "CDMA Channel 2", and "CDMA Channel N". Each channel is represented by a trapezoid. The first channel starts at frequency f_{ch1}, the second at f_{ch2}, and the Nth at f_{chN}. Ellipses between the second and Nth channels indicate intermediate channels.</p> <p>FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.

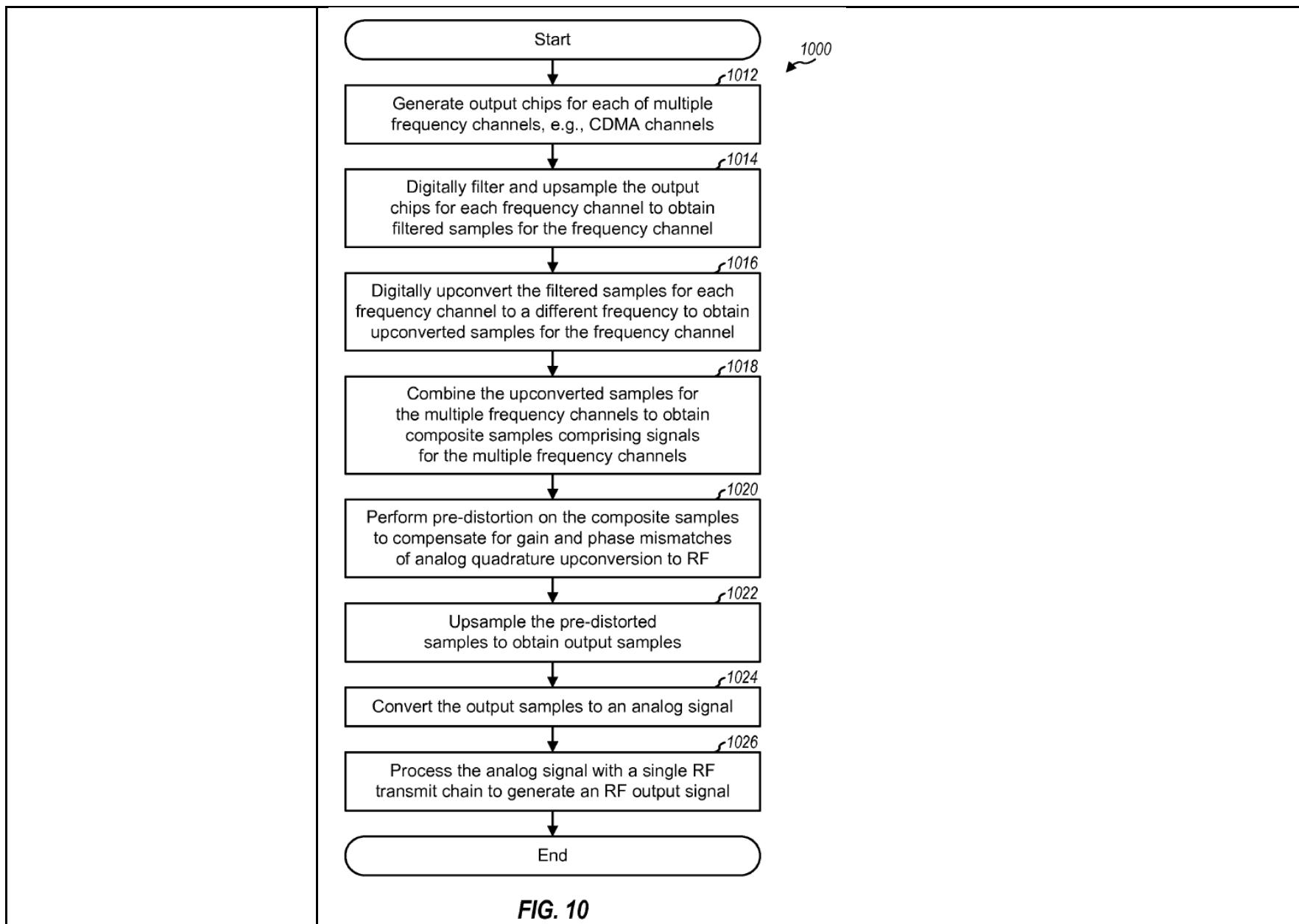


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
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[21.1] The communication system of claim 17	Rick discloses all the elements of claim 17 for all the reasons provided above.
[21.2] wherein the first data of the first digital signal is encoded using a first wireless protocol and the first data of the second digital signal is encoded using a second wireless protocol.	<p>Rick discloses “wherein the first data of the first digital signal is encoded using a first wireless protocol and the first data of the second digital signal is encoded using a second wireless protocol.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p>

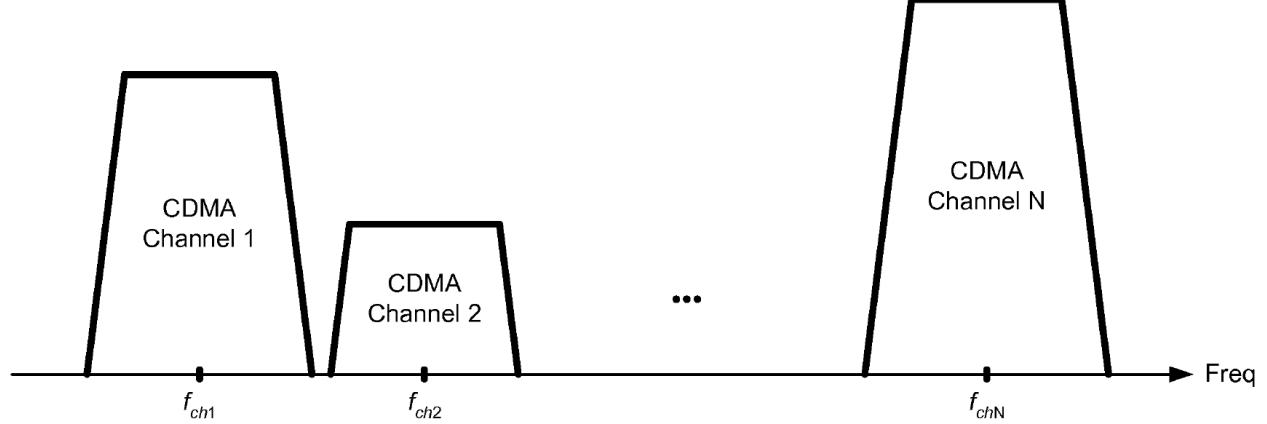
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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each</p>

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	<p>frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless</p>

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	<p>modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p>

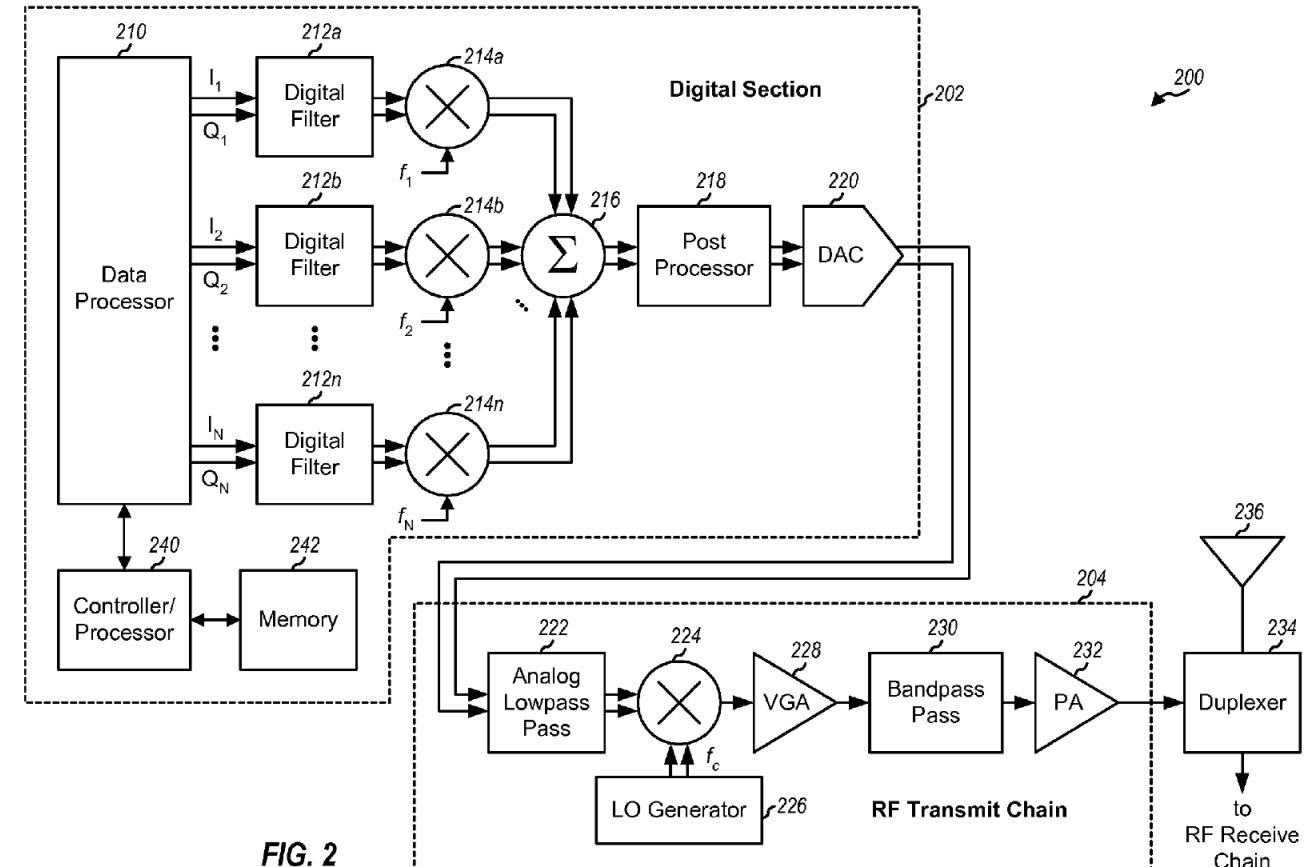
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	<p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal</p>

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	<p>from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal signals on a horizontal axis labeled "Freq". There are three labeled channels: "CDMA Channel 1" at frequency f_{ch1}, "CDMA Channel 2" at frequency f_{ch2}, and "CDMA Channel N" at frequency f_{chN}. Ellipses between the second and third channels indicate additional channels. Each channel is represented by a trapezoid, which is a common representation for frequency-selective fading or spreading in CDMA systems.</p> <p>FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.

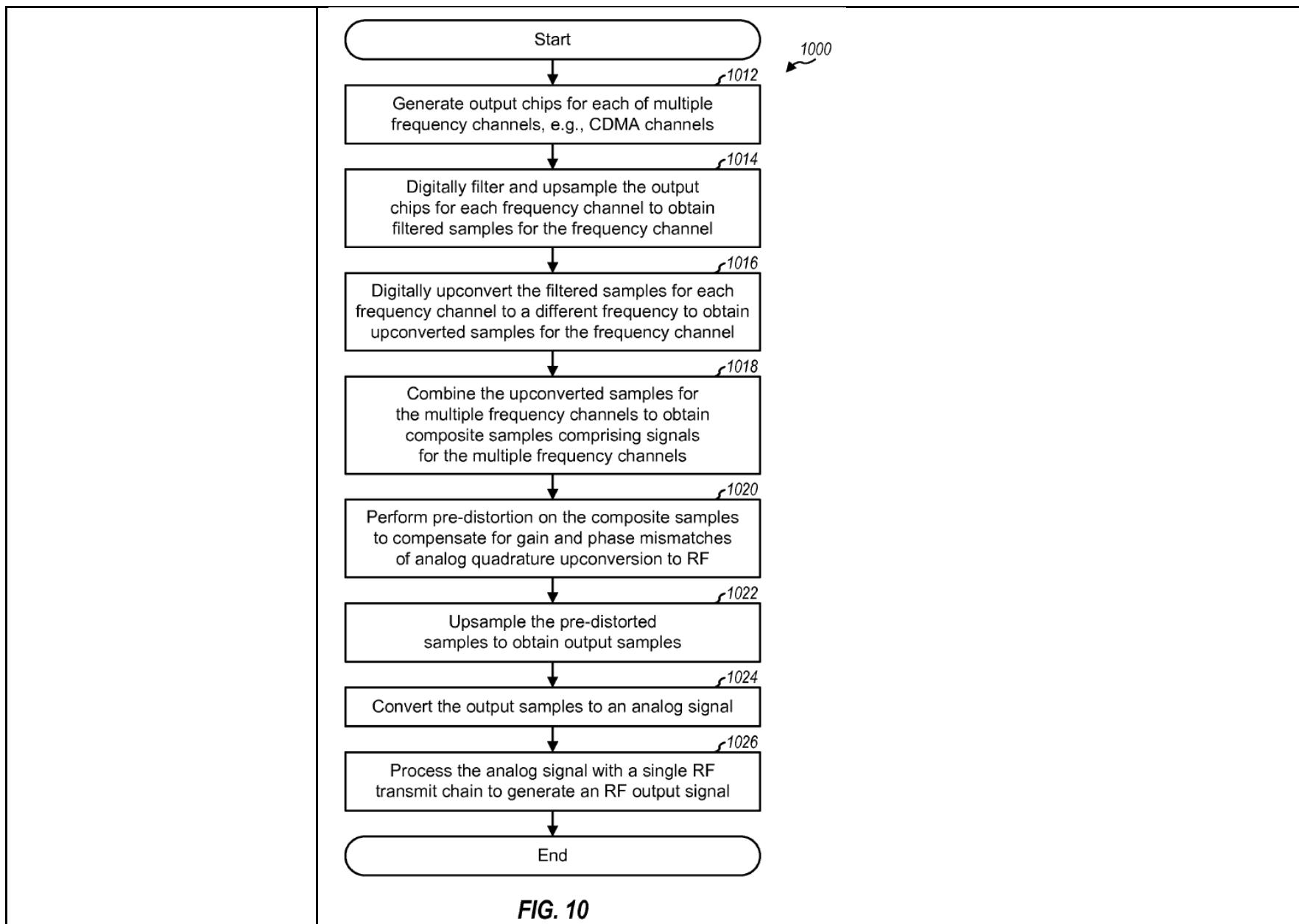


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
Claim 22 of the '802 Patent	Prior Art Reference – Rick
[22.1] The communication system of claim 17	Rick discloses all the elements of claim 17 for all the reasons provided above.
[22.2] wherein the second data corresponds to the first data and wherein the power amplifier outputs a third up-converted signal comprising the up-converted first analog signal and the up-converted second analog signal.	Rick discloses “wherein the second data corresponds to the first data and wherein the power amplifier outputs a third up-converted signal comprising the up-converted first analog signal and the up-converted second analog signal.” See, e.g.: <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p>

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each</p>

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	<p>frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless</p>

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	<p>modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p>

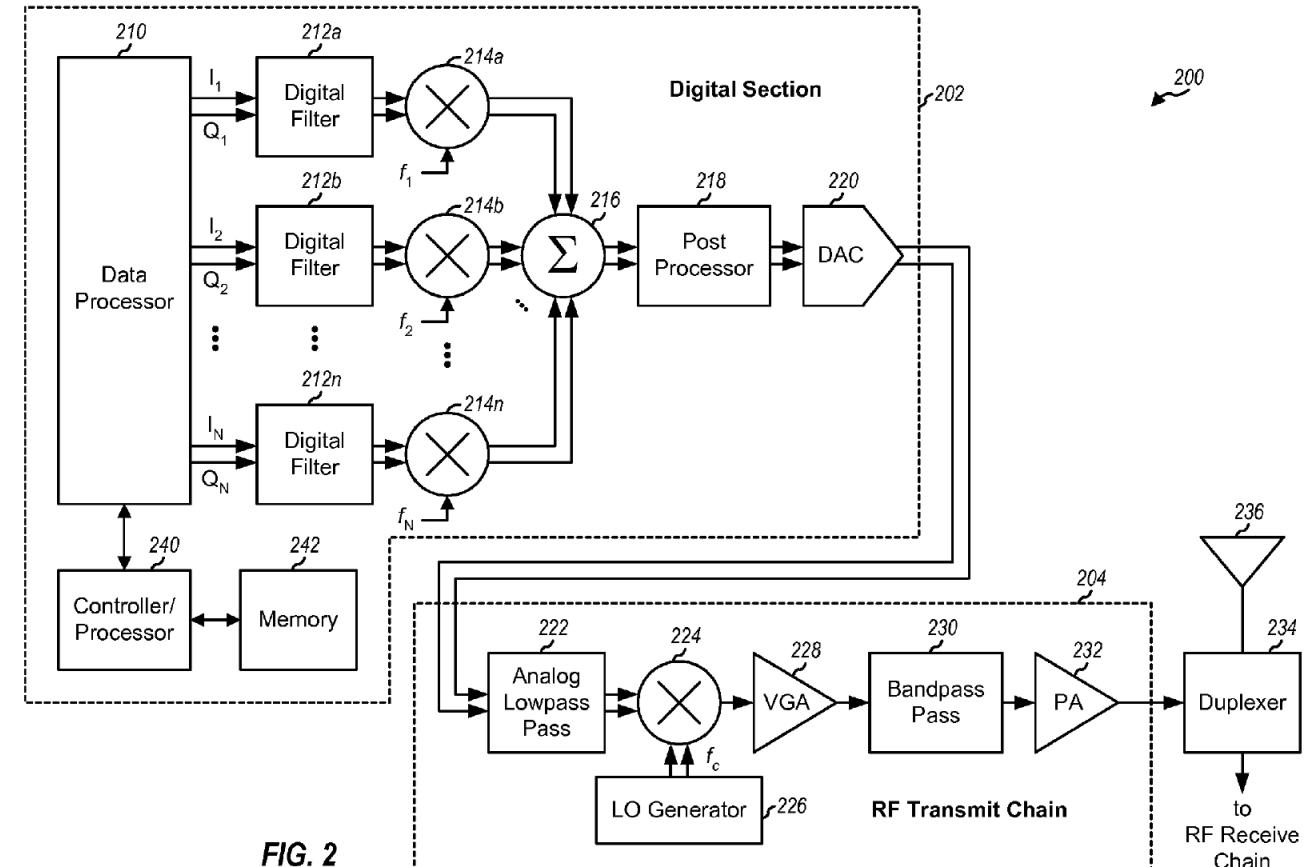
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	<p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal</p>

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	<p>from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1277 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 832 971 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.

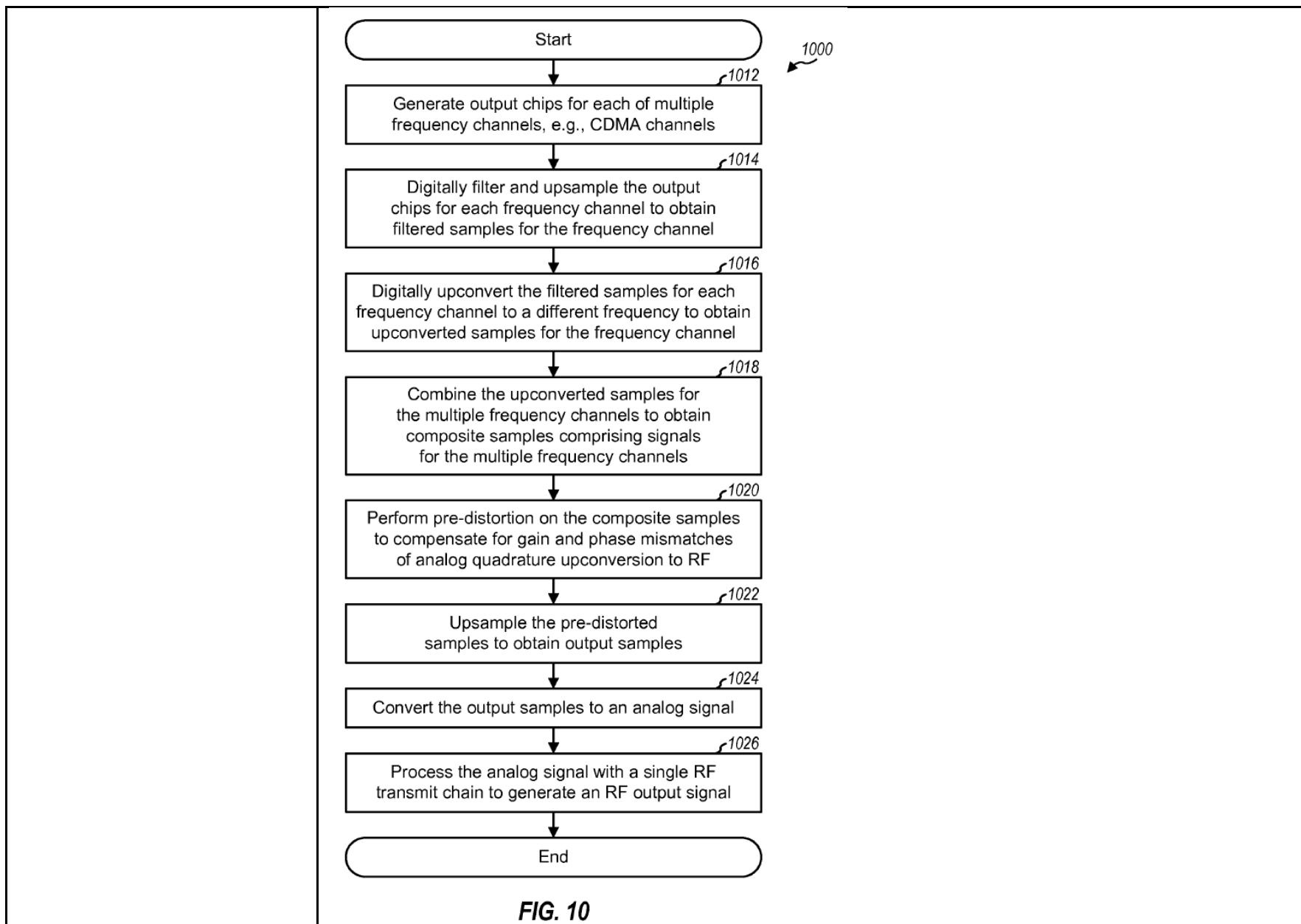


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
Claim 23 of the '802 Patent	Prior Art Reference – Rick
[23.1] The communication system of claim 17	Rick discloses all the elements of claim 17 for all the reasons provided above.
[23.2] wherein first and second data to be transmitted comprise a plurality of OFDM symbols, wherein a first symbol is transmitted during a first time slot across the first up-converted frequency range and a second symbol is transmitted during the first time slot across the second up-converted frequency range, and wherein a third symbol is transmitted during a second time slot across the first up-converted frequency range and a fourth symbol is transmitted during the second time slot across a second up-converted frequency range	<p>Rick discloses “wherein first and second data to be transmitted comprise a plurality of OFDM symbols, wherein a first symbol is transmitted during a first time slot across the first up-converted frequency range and a second symbol is transmitted during the first time slot across the second up-converted frequency range, and wherein a third symbol is transmitted during a second time slot across the first up-converted frequency range and a fourth symbol is transmitted during the second time slot across a second up-converted frequency range.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog</p>

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transmitted during the second time slot across a second up-converted frequency range.	<p>signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each</p>

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	<p>frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:48-2:9.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 2:38-57.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or</p>

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	<p>mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p>

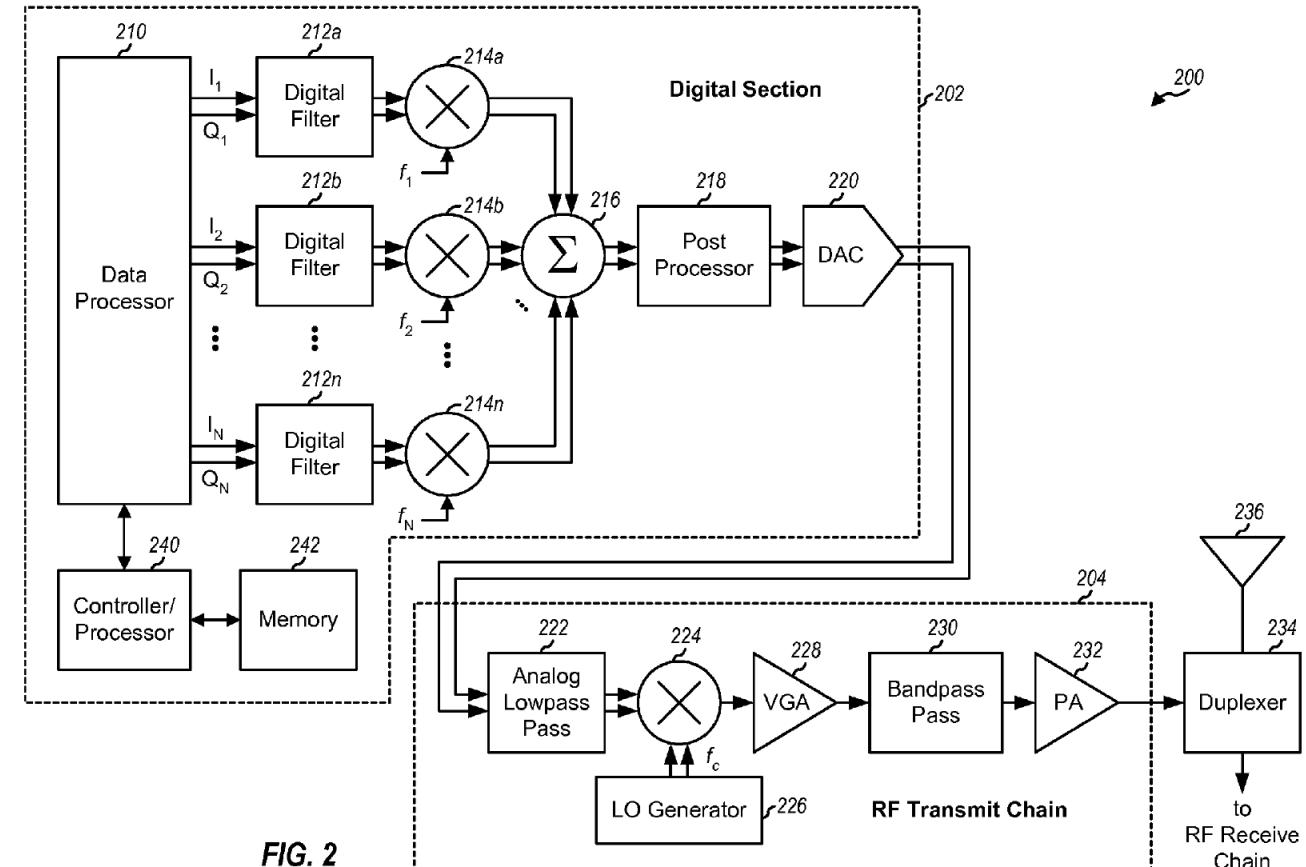
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	<p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:1-47.</p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p>

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	<p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p data-bbox="1193 750 1277 791">FIG. 1</p> <p data-bbox="623 840 971 873"><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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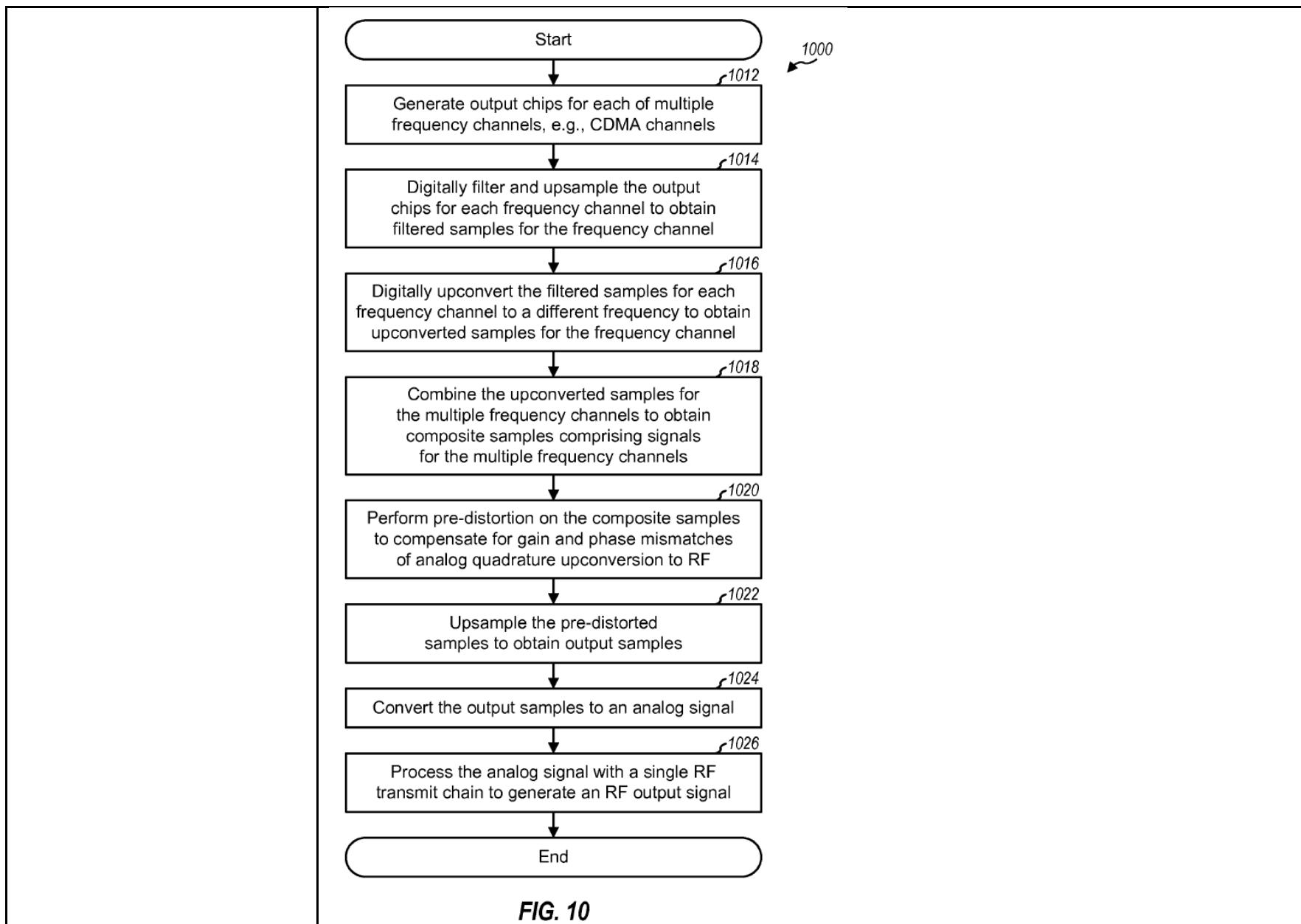


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>

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[24.1] An electronic circuit comprising:	<p>To the extent the preamble is limiting, Rick discloses “An electronic circuit comprising.” See, e.g.: A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

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	<p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 1:20-41.</i></p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p>

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	<p>236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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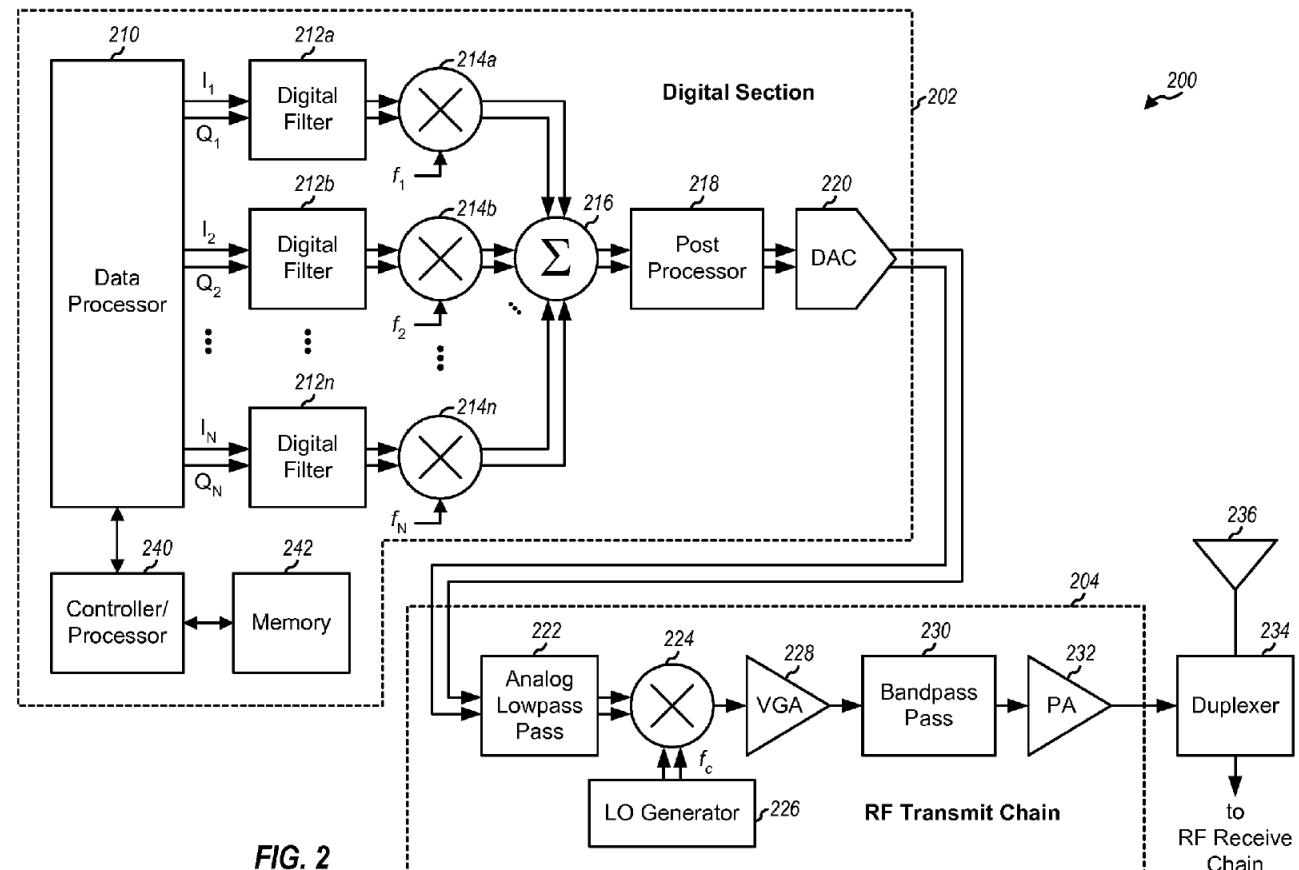


FIG. 2

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Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A–Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or

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[24.2] a first down-converter circuit having a first input coupled to receive a first up-converted signal, a second input coupled to receive a first demodulation signal having a first RF frequency, and an output, wherein the first down-converter circuit outputs a first down-converted signal on the first down-converter output;	<p>Rick discloses “a first down-converter circuit having a first input coupled to receive a first up-converted signal, a second input coupled to receive a first demodulation signal having a first RF frequency, and an output, wherein the first down-converter circuit outputs a first down-converted signal on the first down-converter output.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and up sample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Abstract.</i></p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p>

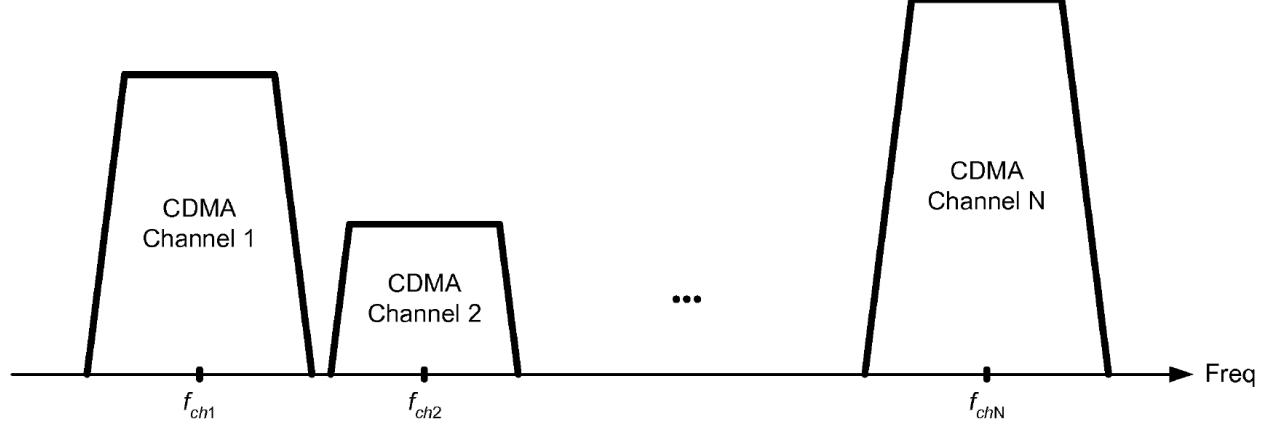
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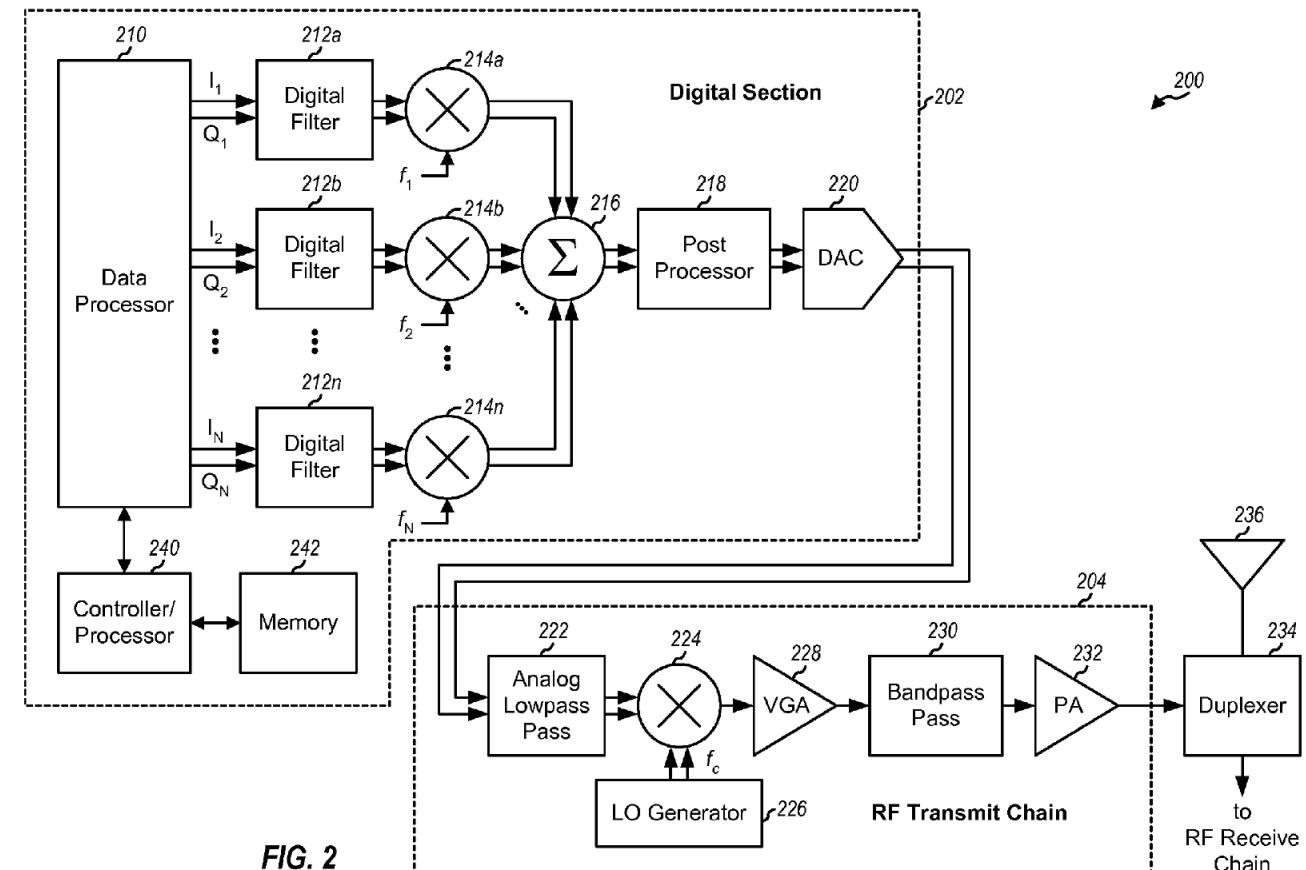
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	<p>and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna</p>

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	<p>236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal signals on a frequency axis. A horizontal axis is labeled "Freq" at the right end. Three specific frequencies are marked with dots and labels: f_{ch1}, f_{ch2}, and f_{chN}. Between f_{ch1} and f_{ch2}, there is a trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel 1". Between f_{ch2} and f_{chN}, there is a trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel 2". Between f_{chN} and the next channel, there is a trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel N". Ellipses between f_{ch2} and f_{chN} indicate additional channels.</p> <p>FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.

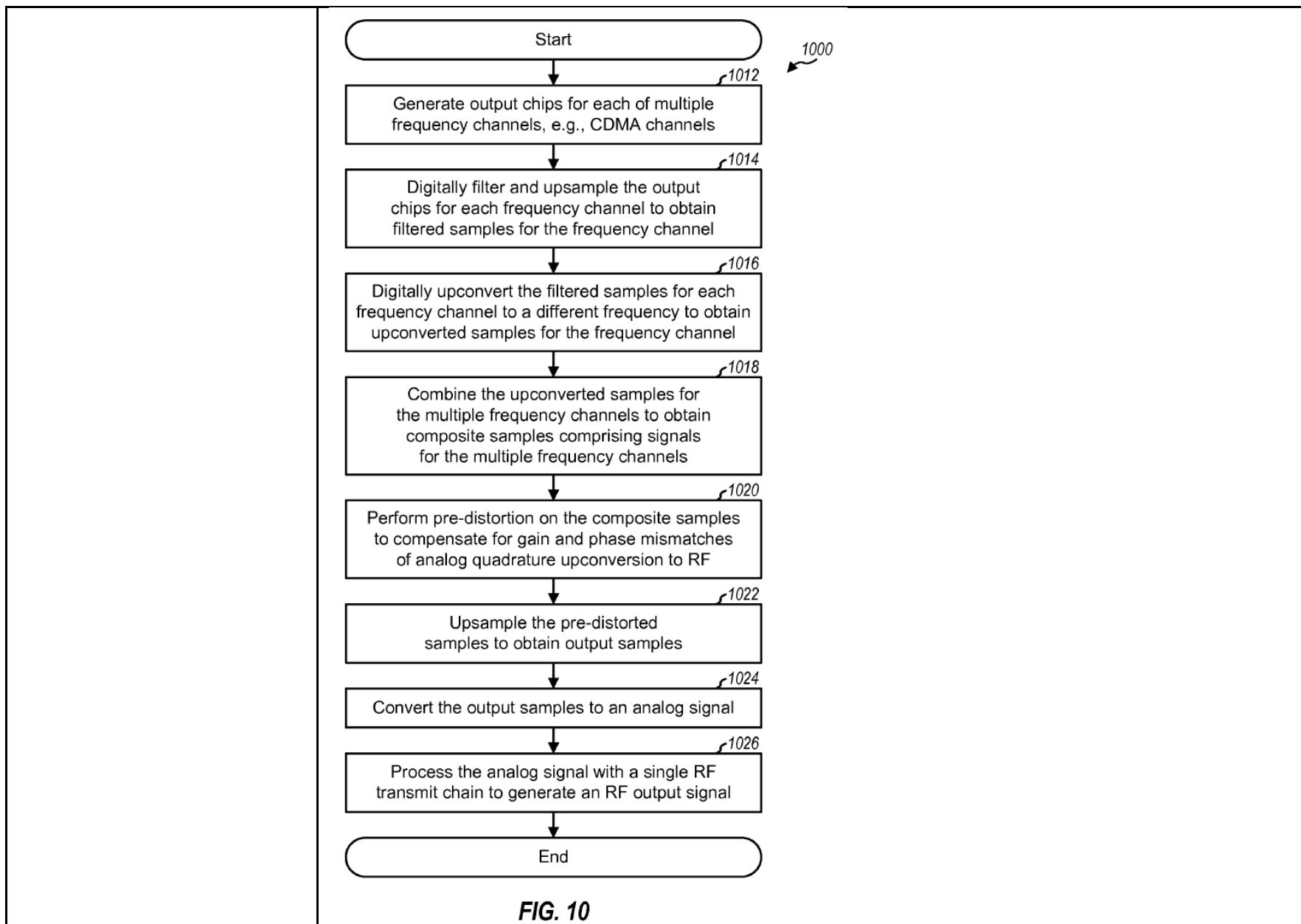


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
<p>[24.3] a second down-converter circuit having a first input coupled to receive the first up-converted signal, a second input coupled to receive a second demodulation signal having a second RF frequency different than the first RF frequency, and an output, wherein the second down-converter outputs a second down-converted signal on the second down-converter output, wherein the first up-converted signal comprises a first signal modulated at the first RF frequency and a second signal modulated at the second RF frequency; and</p>	<p>Rick discloses “a second down-converter circuit having a first input coupled to receive the first up-converted signal, a second input coupled to receive a second demodulation signal having a second RF frequency different than the first RF frequency, and an output, wherein the second down-converter outputs a second down-converted signal on the second down-converter output, wherein the first up-converted signal comprises a first signal modulated at the first RF frequency and a second signal modulated at the second RF frequency.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p>

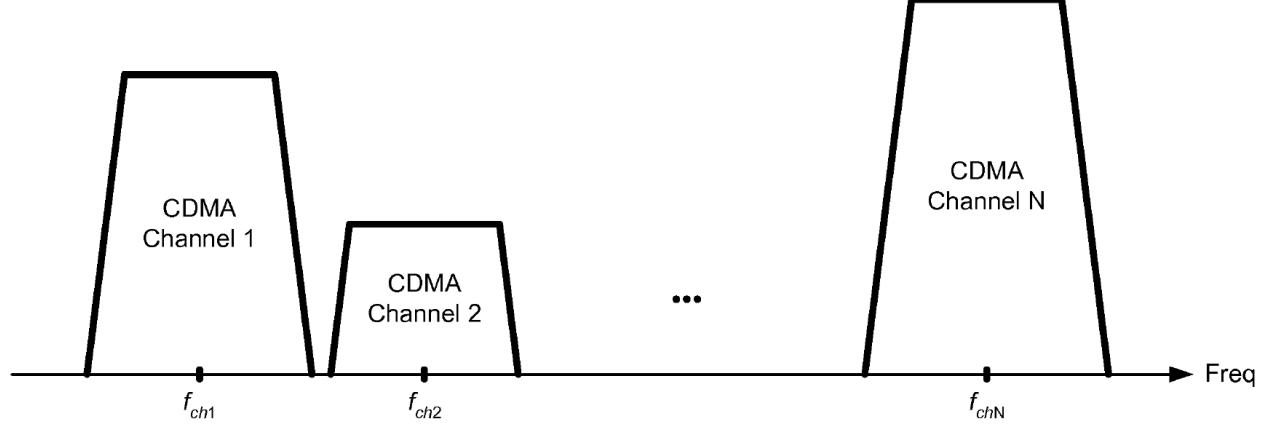
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	<p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples,</p>

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	<p>perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p>

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	<p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is</p>

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	<p>typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies</p>

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	<p>the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier (PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:61-4:67.</i></p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 5:24-30.</i></p>

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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal signals on a frequency axis. A horizontal axis is labeled "Freq" at the right end. Three specific frequencies are marked with dots and labels: f_{ch1}, f_{ch2}, and f_{chN}. Between f_{ch1} and f_{ch2}, there is a trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel 1". Between f_{ch2} and f_{chN}, there is a trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel 2". To the right of f_{chN}, there is another trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel N". Ellipses between f_{ch2} and f_{chN} indicate the presence of other channels.</p> <p>FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture, likely a transceiver, divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Data Processor (210): This block contains multiple parallel paths, each consisting of a digital filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n) followed by a multiplier (214a, 214b, ..., 214n). The outputs of these multipliers are summed at a central summation node (216). The summed signal is then processed by a Post Processor (218) and a DAC (220).Digital Section: A dashed-line box encloses the Data Processor and the Post Processor/DAC path.RF Transmit Chain: A dashed-line box encloses the RF signal path. It starts with an LO Generator (226) providing a local oscillator signal (f_c) to an Analog Lowpass Pass (222). The output of 222 is multiplied by a local oscillator signal (f_c) at 224, then passed through a VGA (228), a Bandpass Pass (230), and a PA (Power Amplifier) (232). The PA's output is fed into a Duplexer (234), which also receives signals from the RF Receive Chain.RF Receive Chain: The Duplexer (234) has two outputs: one to the RF Receive Chain and one back to the RF Transmit Chain.Controller/Processor (240) and Memory (242): These components provide control and memory resources for the system, connected to the Data Processor (210).Antenna (200): The final output of the RF Transmit Chain is directed to an antenna (200).FIG. 2: A caption indicating the figure number.Text: "See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2."

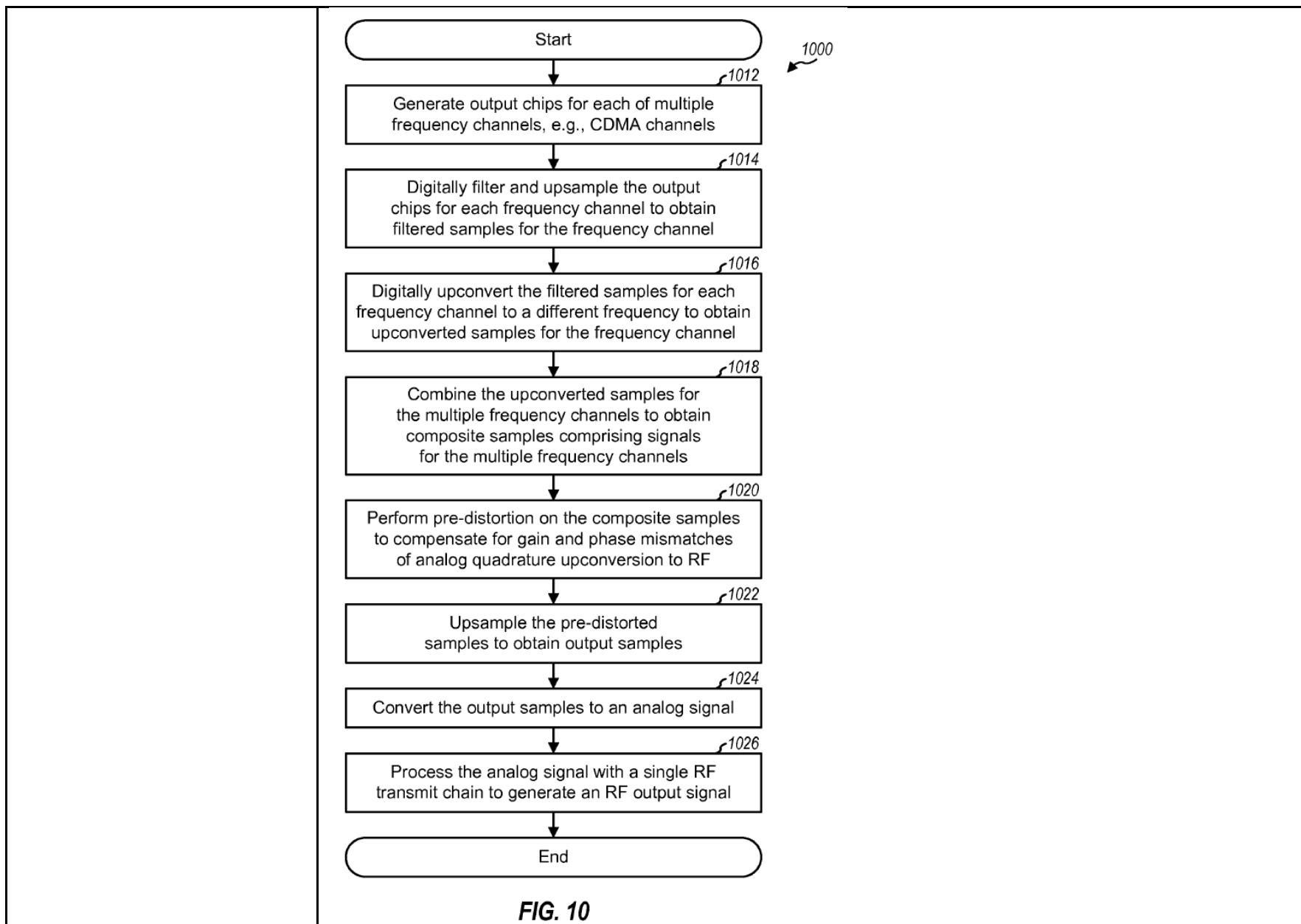


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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>
[24.4] a filter having an input coupled to the output of the first down-converter and the output of the second down-converter, and in accordance therewith, the filter receives the first and second down-converted signals.	<p>Rick discloses “a filter having an input coupled to the output of the first down-converter and the output of the second down-converter, and in accordance therewith, the filter receives the first and second down-converted signals.” See, e.g.:</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously is described. In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels, digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples, and digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may then combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples for I/Q mismatch compensation, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband DAC. The RF transmit chain may process the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Abstract.</p> <p>Wireless communication systems are widely deployed to provide various communication services such as voice, video, packet data, messaging, broadcast, etc. These systems may be multiple-access systems capable of supporting multiple users by sharing the available system resources. Examples of</p>

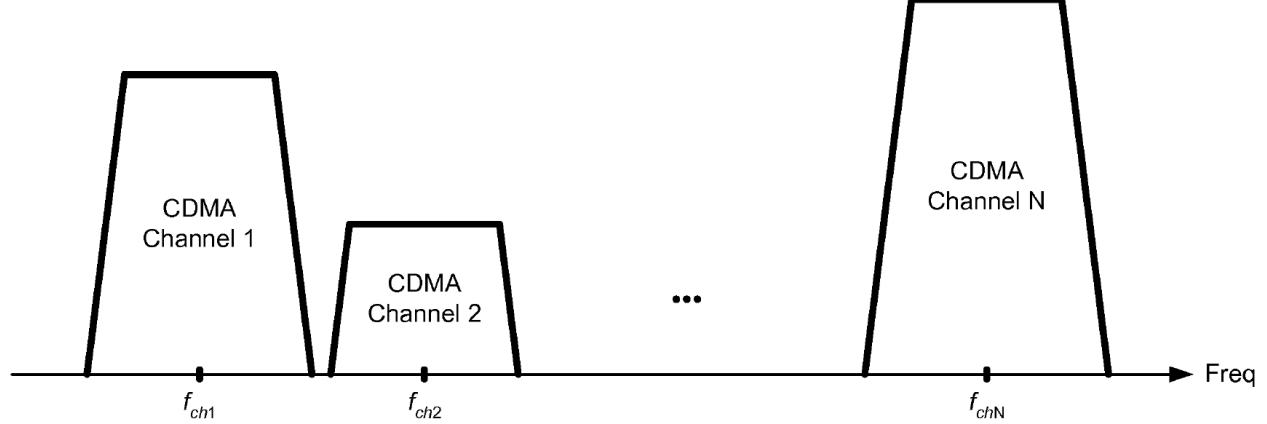
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	<p>such multiple-access systems include Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) systems, Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems, Frequency Division Multiple Access (FDMA) systems, Orthogonal FDMA (OFDMA) systems, and Single-Carrier FDMA (SC-FDMA) systems.</p> <p>Data usage for wireless communication systems continually grows due to increasing number of users as well as emergence of new applications with higher data requirements. A system may support a particular maximum data rate on one frequency channel under favorable channel conditions. This maximum data rate is typically determined by system design. To increase capacity, the system may utilize multiple frequency channels for transmission. However, the design complexity and cost of a transmitter may increase substantially in order to support transmission on multiple frequency channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 1:20-41.</p> <p>A multi-carrier transmitter capable of transmitting on one or multiple frequency channels simultaneously using a single radio frequency (RF) transmit chain is described herein. The single RF transmit chain may be wideband and designed for a particular maximum number of (T) frequency channels. Up to T signals may be transmitted simultaneously on up to T frequency channels using this single RF transmit chain.</p> <p>In one design, the multi-carrier transmitter includes at least one processor and one RF transmit chain. The processor(s) may generate output chips for each of multiple frequency channels in accordance with a particular system such as a High Rate Packet Data (HRPD) system. The output chips for each frequency channel may be scaled with a gain selected based on the transmit power for that frequency channel. The processor(s) may digitally filter and upsample the output chips for each frequency channel to obtain filtered samples and may digitally upconvert the filtered samples for each frequency channel to a different frequency to obtain upconverted samples. The processor(s) may combine the upconverted samples for the multiple frequency channels to obtain composite samples, perform pre-distortion on the composite samples to compensate for gain and phase mismatches of subsequent analog quadrature upconversion, and upsample the pre-distorted samples to obtain output samples. The output samples may be converted to an analog signal with a wideband digital-to-analog</p>

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	<p>converter (DAC). The RF transmit chain may then process (e.g., filter, quadrature upconvert, and amplify) the analog signal to generate an RF output signal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 1:48-2:9.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for various wireless communication systems such as CDMA, TDMA, FDMA, OFDMA, and SC-FDMA systems. The terms “system” and “network” are often used interchangeably. A CDMA system may implement a radio technology such as cdma2000, Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (UTRA), etc. cdma2000 covers IS-2000, IS-95, and IS-856 standards. UTRA includes Wideband-CDMA (W-CDMA) and Low Chip Rate (LCR). A TDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM). An OFDMA system may implement a radio technology such as Evolved UTRA (E-UTRA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16, IEEE 802.20, Flash-OFDM®, etc. These various radio technologies and standards are known in the art. UTRA, E-UTRA, and GSM are described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project” (3GPP). cdma2000 is described in documents from an organization named “3rd Generation Partnership Project 2” (3GPP2). 3GPP and 3GPP2 documents are publicly available.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at 2:38-57.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter described herein may be used for an access terminal as well as an access point. An access point is generally a fixed station that communicates with the access terminals and may also be referred to as a base station, a Node B, etc. An access terminal may be stationary or mobile and may also be referred to as a mobile station, a user equipment (UE), a mobile equipment, a terminal, a subscriber unit, a station, etc. An access terminal may be a cellular phone, a personal digital assistant (PDA), a handset, a wireless communication device, a handheld device, a wireless modem, a laptop computer, etc. For clarity, the use of the multi-carrier transmitter for an access terminal is described below.</p> <p>The multi-carrier transmitter can transmit one or multiple CDMA signals simultaneously. Each CDMA signal may be sent on a different CDMA channel. A CDMA channel is a frequency channel</p>

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	<p>for one CDMA signal and is 1.2288 MHz wide in HRPD. A CDMA channel is also commonly referred to as a carrier.</p> <p>FIG. 1 shows an example transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels, where $N \geq 1$ in general and $N > 1$ for multi-carrier operation. In this example, CDMA channel 1 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch1}, CDMA channel 2 has a carrier frequency of f_{ch2}, and so on, and CDMA channel N has a carrier frequency of f_{chN}. The carrier frequencies are typically selected such that the CDMA channels are spaced sufficiently far apart to reduce inter-channel interference. In general, the carrier frequencies of the N CDMA channels may or may not be related to one another. The carrier frequency of each CDMA channel may be selected independently subject to a minimum inter-channel spacing criterion. The carrier frequencies may be evenly spaced across frequency and separated by a fixed frequency spacing of $f_{spacing}$, which may be 1.2288 MHz or some larger value. The N CDMA signals may be transmitted at different power levels (as shown in FIG. 1) or at the same power level. The N CDMA signals may carry any type of data for any service such as voice, video, packet data, text messaging, etc. The N CDMA signals may be sent to the same access point or to different access points.</p> <p>It is desirable to support transmission of one or multiple CDMA channels using as little circuitry as possible in order to reduce cost, lower power consumption, improve reliability, and obtain other benefits. T different RF transmit chains may be used to generate up to T CDMA signals for up to T CDMA channels, where T is the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be sent simultaneously. However, the T RF transmit chains may significantly increase the cost of an access terminal.</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at 3:1-47.</i></p> <p>Within digital section 202, a data processor 210 processes data, pilot, and control information and provides N output chip streams for N CDMA signals to N digital filter 212 a through 212 n. A chip is typically a complex value sent in one chip period, which is a time duration determined by a system. Each output chip stream may be at a chip rate ($c \times 1$), which is 1.2288 megachips/second (Mcps) for HRPD. Each digital filter 212 filters its output chip stream, performs upsampling, and provides a</p>

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	<p>filtered sample stream to a rotator 214. Each filtered sample stream may be at a sample rate of f_{sample}. The sample rate may be fixed and selected based on the maximum number of CDMA signals that can be transmitted simultaneously. Alternatively, the sample rate may be configurable and selected based on the number of CDMA signals being transmitted simultaneously. Each rotator 214 operates as a digital upconverter, frequency upconverts its filtered sample stream with a digital local oscillator (LO) signal, and provides an upconverted sample stream. The digital LO signal for the CDMA signal sent on CDMA channel n has a frequency of f_n, which is determined by the carrier frequency f_{chn} of CDMA channel n and the frequency f_c of an analog LO signal used for upconversion to RF. A summer 216 receives and sums the N upconverted sample streams from N rotators 214 a through 214 n and provides a composite sample stream. A post processor 218 performs post processing on the composite sample stream and provides an output sample stream. A DAC 220 converts the output sample stream to analog and provides an analog baseband signal containing the N CDMA signals.</p> <p>An RF transmit chain may implement a super-heterodyne architecture or a direct-conversion architecture. In the super-heterodyne architecture, a baseband signal is frequency upconverted in multiple stages, e.g., from baseband to an intermediate frequency (IF) in one stage, and then from IF to RF in another stage. In the direct-conversion architecture, which is also referred to as a zero-IF architecture, the baseband signal is frequency upconverted from baseband directly to RF in one stage. The super-heterodyne and direct-conversion architectures may use different circuit blocks and/or have different circuit requirements. The following description assumes the use of the direct-conversion architecture.</p> <p>Within RF transmit chain 204, an analog lowpass filter 222 filters the analog baseband signal from DAC 220 to remove images caused by the digital-to-analog conversion and provides a filtered signal. A mixer 224 frequency upconverts the filtered signal from baseband to RF with an analog LO signal from an LO generator 226. LO generator 226 may include a voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), a phase locked loop (PLL), a reference oscillator, etc. A variable gain amplifier (VGA) 228 amplifies the upconverted signal from mixer 224 with a variable gain. A bandpass filter 230 filters the signal from VGA 228 to remove images caused by the frequency upconversion. Bandpass filter 230 may be a surface acoustic wave (SAW) filter, a ceramic filter, or some other type of filter. A power amplifier</p>

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	<p>(PA) 232 amplifies the signal from filter 230 and provides an RF output signal having the proper power level. The RF output signal is routed through a duplexer 234 and transmitted via an antenna 236. As shown in FIG. 2, the signals from data processor 210 to mixer 224 are typically complex signals having inphase (I) and quadrature (Q) components.</p> <p>DAC 220 and RF transmit chain 204 may be wideband to support simultaneous transmission of N CDMA signals on N CDMA channels. DAC 220 may be operated at a sufficiently high clock rate and may have sufficient resolution for conversion of a digital sample stream containing all N CDMA signals. Analog lowpass filter 222 may have a fixed or variable bandwidth that may be sufficiently wide to pass all of the CDMA signals being sent simultaneously. The subsequent analog circuit blocks may also be wideband to pass all of the CDMA signals. Bandpass filter 230 may be wideband and may pass an entire frequency band, e.g., from 824 to 849 MHz for cellular band and from 1850 to 1910 MHz for Personal Communications Service (PCS) band.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 3:61-4:67.</p> <p>Multi-carrier transmitter 200 may be used in conjunction with a multi-carrier receiver that can receive one or more CDMA channels. Duplexer 234 may route an RF received signal from antenna 236 to the multi-carrier receiver, which is not shown in FIG. 2. The multi-carrier receiver may process the RF received signal to recover data and control information sent on one or more CDMA channels.</p> <p><i>See, e.g.,</i> Rick at 5:24-30.</p>

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	 <p>The diagram illustrates multiple CDMA channels as trapezoidal signals on a frequency axis. A horizontal axis is labeled "Freq" at the right end. Three specific frequencies are marked with dots and labels: f_{ch1}, f_{ch2}, and f_{chN}. Between f_{ch1} and f_{ch2}, there is a trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel 1". Between f_{ch2} and f_{chN}, there is a trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel 2". To the right of f_{chN}, there is another trapezoid labeled "CDMA Channel N". Ellipses between f_{ch2} and f_{chN} indicate the presence of other channels.</p> <p>FIG. 1</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 1.</i></p>

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	<p>The diagram illustrates a communication system architecture. It is divided into several functional blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Digital Section: This block contains a Data Processor (210) which includes multiple parallel paths. Each path consists of a Digital Filter (212a, 212b, ..., 212n), followed by a multiplier (214a, 214b, ..., 214n) receiving local oscillator frequencies f_1, f_2, \dots, f_N, and finally a summation node (Σ) (216). The outputs of the summation nodes are processed by a Post Processor (218) and then converted to analog via a DAC (220).RF Transmit Chain: This block includes an LO Generator (226) providing a local oscillator frequency f_c to an Analog Lowpass Pass (222). The output of this stage is multiplied by f_c at 224 and then passes through a VGA (228), a Bandpass Pass (230), and a PA (232) before being transmitted through a Duplexer (234) to the RF Receive Chain.Controller/Processor and Memory: A Controller/Processor (240) is connected to the Data Processor (210) and the Memory (242).Antenna: The transmitted signal is sent to an antenna (200). <p>FIG. 2</p> <p><i>See, e.g., Rick at Figure 2.</i></p>

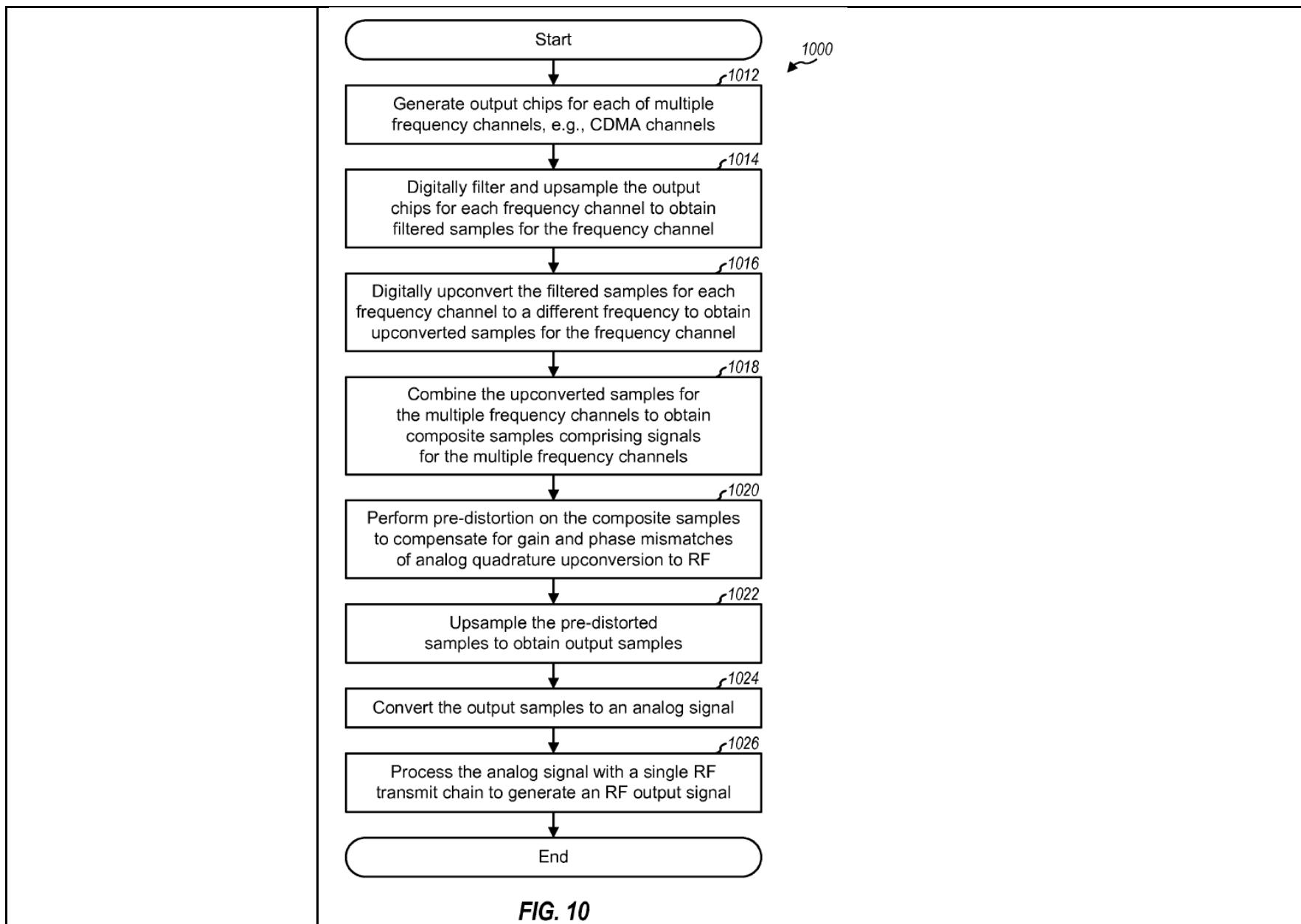


FIG. 10

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	<p><i>See, e.g.</i>, Rick at Figure 10.</p> <p>Furthermore, this claim element is obvious in light of Rick itself, when combined with any of the other references as charted for this claim element in Exs. A-1–A-31, First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart, and/or when combined with the knowledge of one of ordinary skill in the art. Motivations to combine may come from the knowledge of the person of ordinary skill themselves, or from the known problems and predictable solutions as embodied in these references. Further motivations to combine references and additional details may be found in the Cover Pleading and First Supplemental Ex. A-Obviousness Chart.</p>